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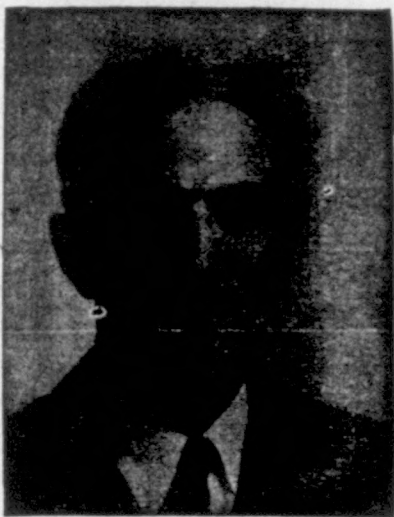
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"FORGOT MY TOOLS"



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Nearly everyone enjoys a joke—if it is on somebody else. Few of us enjoy a joke on ourselves or on our class. Preachers bear the brunt of more jokes than any other religious group.

Plumbers have a lot of jokes told on them. Perhaps more than any other of the working class. Preachers and plumbers have somewhat of a similar work. Plumbers are always repairing the pipes that bring the water supply to the house while preachers are relaying the message of the Water of Life in the heart.

The joke is—a plumber applied to

a contractor for a job. He had no credentials and could give but few references. The builder needed an extra man. He sent the plumber out on a trial job. One that he estimated would take a man about half a day to finish. The new plumber was gone about two hours and came in.

"Finished already?" said the builder. "Nope, forgot my tools. Came back after them." "You are engaged," said the builder.

Poor story. Bad philosophy. Apologies to the plumber and the builder. Perhaps all that. But no worse story, and not half so tragic as the Bible teacher going out to teach the Word of God without his BOOK. A teacher of the Word of God in the house of the Lord without the WORD. Think of it!

The pupil will feel no need of bringing his Bible if the teacher does not use one himself and ask the pupil to use one. Neither would the boy feel the need of taking his textbook to school on Monday if the teacher did not require him to use one in the class. And I mean by requiring—stimulate, or inspire the use of the Book. Get down to brass tacks. The responsibility of bringing the Bible rests upon the teacher. His own use of it will tell the story.

Sunday school pupils should be taught the value of a knowledge of

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OUR WAR EXPERIENCES IN HONG KONG, CHINA

Rev. Cecil S. Ward

The golden rays of an oriental sun were glancing off the rugged peaks of Hong Kong. Morning sunbeams were finding their way into the lowlands between the mountains. A peaceful and contented people, a bit chilled in the crisp December air, moved in mass through the streets, entering into their usual routine of life.

In our home in Kowloon, our polly-parrot squawked in his usual manner while the three canaries hopped gaily in their sunny cages, singing more beautifully than ever, it seemed. My thirteen varieties of tropical fish, all adorned in their most glorious colors, floated gracefully in their teakwood lined aquarium. The whole world seemed as peaceful as a morning in spring.

Dr. M. T. Rankin, Mrs. Ward and I had just seated ourselves at the breakfast table. Our conversation with Dr. Rankin, our Oriental Secretary, centered about the increase in our problem of remaining in the Orient in the light of present developments; we had only three days before learned that a baby was to be born into our home.

As if it had been set off by the clock

striking eight, on the morning of Dec. 8, the air raid alarm sounded. The shrill scream of the siren cut through the clear cool air. Plane motors were heard which called us from the table and sent us to our back porch, overlooking the Kai Tak airport, about a mile away. As quickly as we stepped onto the porch, seeing the flying field very clearly, we saw 37 bombers over the field. Like silver birds they glittered in the rays of the morning sun. In a matter of seconds, bombs were being rained upon the field and in the surrounding business section. Some were hitting so near us our house shook like a mat shed in a storm. We were dazed, we were frightened and amazed. We were caught in a city being attacked by the Japanese, and Americans were now their enemies.

Exploding bombs drove us out of our home and sent us scrambling into ditches in a nearby field. The silver-colored bombers, with the red emblem of the rising sun on the tips of their wings, went shooting through the sky, across our heads, dropping their loads of destruction here and there. They soon learned they could fly very low, anti-aircraft guns being inade-

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SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS

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Ironically, it was the missionary who saved the day for the white man—the missionary who had never harped on white superiority and the privileges of unequal treaties, who had lived his unpretentious life without indulging in Kiplingesque self-deception. He had refused to cling to the precarious safety of the treaty port and had boldly ventured into the interior, where he met the dragon in his lair. The two got on rather well. When the great test of the Japanese invasion came along, the missionary did not run away. As city after city was engulfed in the brown flood, he stayed with his flock, performing acts of quiet heroism that earned him the praise of Christian and heathen Chinese alike.

"Those missionaries have plenty of grit," a Chinese businessman who had left all he owned in the occupied zone, told me. I am not a Christian myself, and I had not much use for proselytism. Let Christians be Christians and Buddhists be Buddhists. But your missionaries have proved, in these last years of hardship, that they were more than Bible salesmen.

"They haven't been afraid of getting right into the mess, and didn't squawk if they got their fingers dirty. What they did during the rape of Nanking, when they shielded Chinese women and children with their own lives and gave medical care to victims of the Jap orgy, will go down in history as one of the great deeds of humanity. The same goes for Changsha, for Hong Kong and for a thousand other villages and towns. No, the missionary has proved himself a worthy member of our society—a fellow who can act, which is more than preaching."

Recently, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek praised the Christian church and its missionaries in China and said the abolition of unequal treaties had freed the Christian church from all association with foreign imperialism or aggression.

In an address to the opening session of the First National Christian Conference held since the outbreak of the war, Chiang said: "We still need them, the missionaries, and welcome Christians from other lands who

serve the people of China with true sympathy and devotion. Don't feel you are guests. You are comrades working with us to save our people and build a new nation."

I've had those views confirmed by hundreds of Chinese, and it seems to me that the foreign missionary is largely responsible for the continued respect the average Chinese has today for the white man. The missionary has stuck by his guns, praising the Lord and passing the spiritual ammunition, and the Chinese do not hesitate to give him credit for it. True, most of the credit is for charity.

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CHINESE GIRL THANKS BAPTISTS FOR HELP

The following letter tells its own story:

Blue Mountain, Mississippi

Dear Friends:

I am so thankful that I have the opportunity to come to study in your country. This gives me the chance to see and know what you people have done and are doing for us for



DOROTHY FUNG-PING LEUNG

years and years. I was especially glad that I had the privilege to visit your church not long ago. The lovely atmosphere and your friendly expression, I still cherish and I shall never forget.

Your people have been helping the Chinese materially and spiritually for years, especially during these distressful war times. The mission work and the Christians over there are really your property and products. For this we are so grateful to you...

Because of the present war many cities have been destroyed or invaded. People have lost their work, business, property, homes, and even their lives. They have to move from place to place to find refuge. Children and parents have to be separated. Even some who can earn their living are still suffering because of the shortage of materials and food supplies, for the

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Gulfport: The work here is making steady progress. Our attendance has been very gratifying during the summer. Numbers of men in the army and navy take an active interest in the church life. It has been our happy privilege to receive a number of these men into our church fellowship, both by letter and profession of faith. Some of our greatest experiences have had to do with these men, discussing religion with them, observing their profession of faith, baptizing them, preaching to them, not only at church services but in the camps and in the different centers. It has given me renewed faith.—Henry T. Brookshire.

Rev. C. H. Sputt, pastor of Skene Baptist Church, has open dates for leading singing in meetings any time in the next three months except from August 1-23. His address is Skene, Mississippi.

We recently closed a good revival at Antioch church. There were seven additions. The pastor did the preaching and my son, Lawrence, furnished the music.—W. M. Tabb, pastor.

Mt. Nebo, Newton county: Our revival begins Sunday, July 25, and runs through July 30. The pastor will preach and the church choir will furnish the music.—C. E. Snowden, pastor.

Charleston: Our Vacation Bible school enrolled 109 with an average attendance of 85. The pastor served as principal. Church crowds continue to increase.—J. T. Tolar, pastor.

Bethel, Lawrence county: Dr. W. L. Holcomb of Prentiss preached at our revival meeting. There were 14 additions. We continued our Vacation Bible school in connection with the meeting. The enrollment was 39.—M. C. Nelson, pastor.

Cross Roads church, Webster county: Our revival begins July 25. L. B. Wages, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Columbus, will assist Pastor L. W. Estes of Eupora.—W. H. Womack, church clerk.

We regret that in some way the name of the author of the article, "Future Baptist Debt Making," was omitted from last week's issue. Dr. J. W. Lee, pastor at Batesville, wrote this article.

McLain: We are praising the abundant blessings of our Lord, that is, Mrs. Potter and myself, in that His watch-care was made manifest on June 30th when our car was considerably reduced to the "x" quantity. We had just parked our car outside a member's home and had only been comfortably seated when he heard the grinding and clashing of metal only to discover that a huge Hercules truck and trailer, loaded with stumps, had chosen that very spot to upset. We had hardly gotten out of the car, so to speak, when it happened. God does watch over His own.—Wm. Potter, pastor.

C. S. Moulder will assist his father, D. W. Moulder, in a revival meeting at Pine Grove church in Simpson

Recent visits to The Baptist Record office include the following: Dr. C. S. Thomas, Jackson; Rev. C. J. Olander, Morgan City; Rev. Guy Little, Pinola; Rev. H. B. Speights, Silver Creek; Rev. Carl E. Talbert, Martinsburg, W. Va.; Rev. R. A. Eddleman, Clinton; Rev. H. T. McLaurin, Newton; Rev. R. L. Wallace, Raymond; Rev. H. B. Benson, Terry.

Beulah church, Simpson county, D. W. Moulder, Pastor, reports a very good meeting with Ira Metts, pastor of Northside Church, Jackson, doing the preaching. There were 24 additions.

The revival meeting at Zion Hill Baptist Church, Copiah County, begins fourth Sunday in July instead of the second Sunday in August as previously stated. Virgie Ratliff of Crosby will do the preaching.—W. D. Hammons.

Dr. J. D. Franks of Columbus assisted R. M. Lewis in a revival meeting at Providence last week.

R. B. Patterson of Memphis, pastor of Long View Church, is to do the preaching at the revival at Kossuth, Alcorn County, from July 26 through August 1.

A good revival was reported from Lexie Baptist Church with G. Earl Guinn of Jennings, Louisiana, doing the preaching and E. R. Pinson, pastor, leading the singing. There were 10 additions.

D. W. Moulder reports a full day's work, July 12. He conducted two baptismal services, preached three sermons, helped ordain a preacher, and preached a funeral.

New York—A nation-wide plan, whereby churches of all Protestant denominations in every section of the country will be invited to release their ministers for periods of one or two months to serve in camp community areas, has been authorized by the Christian Commission for Camp and Defense Communities.

New York—The Japanese authorities in the Philippines are gradually forcing foreign missionaries to give up their work and many missionaries have been interned in civilian concentration camps, according to reports received here by the Jesuit Philippine Bureau through the war department.

"And a little child shall lead them."—The orphans of the Baptist Orphanage contributed \$15.59 to the Blue Mountain Endowment Fund.

Enlistment Pastor E. D. Estes of Eupora will be with Pastor H. D. Hawkins in a revival at Ebenezer, Attala county, beginning July 25.

Dr. O. A. Eure, former pastor of Calvary Church, Greenwood, has completed his work at the Chaplain's School, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., and will now be the Base Chaplain at the Army Air Base, El Paso, Texas.

Evangelist Robert L. Cooper is open for engagements beginning September 1 and on through the fall and winter. His address is Aberdeen, Mississippi.

McLain: Yesterday in the McLain church, at the morning service, we witnessed one of the most spiritual services we have had since coming here. Preaching from the text found in I Cor. 1:17, 18: "For Christ sent me to preach the Gospel . . . for the preaching of the Cross . . . is the power of God," I have never, in my ministry, witnessed such free-flowing tears as members of the church came to the altar for rededication. To me, it was the real beginning of a new era in our spiritual life at McLain. Pray for us.—Wm. Potter, pastor.

John A. Wade has accepted the work as pastor at New Bethel, Carroll County.

Ovett, Jones county, has just closed its protracted meeting with Rev. Grady Cothen of Foxworth, Miss., doing the preaching. Many attended the evening service and good crowds came to the morning service. Much good was accomplished for the Lord, with four additions to the church.—Paul Z. Ball, pastor.

At the regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention June 16, the following committee on time and place of the meeting of the Convention in 1944 was appointed: John H. Buchanan, Birmingham; Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, and George Ragland, Lexington, Kentucky. This committee will meet at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, August 3, and will make its report to the Executive Committee at its December meeting.—Walter M. Gilmore.

Rev. Grady Cothen will help in a meeting at Shelton, Jones county, beginning August 1.—Paul Z. Ball.

Dr. Chester M. Savage, pastor, First Baptist Church, Union, did the preaching in a revival July 11-16 with Coldwater Baptist Church in Neshoba county. There were 12 additions. Great victories were won, including the conversion of a man 82 years old. J. W. Burnett is pastor, and Dr. Savage speaks in highest terms about the work of Bro. Burnett on the field.

Homewood: It was my privilege to be with Brother A. R. Smith and the good people of Homewood Baptist Church last week in a revival. Brother Smith organized a Sunday school before the service Sunday night and "set it in motion." During the revival the church was visited by Enlistment Pastor McLaurin and accepted their Now Club goal. There were two additions to the membership.—C. B. Hamlett, III.

Rev. P. C. Barnett, who served the Epps and Castor churches before retiring from the active pastorate some years ago, has moved from Epps to Walnut Grove, Miss.—Baptist Message, Louisiana.

Rev. John I. Hill of State Line, Mississippi, will help the pastor, Paul Z. Ball, at Antioch, Jones county, beginning July 18, through the following week.—Paul Z. Ball.

Garland McInnis, assistant pastor River Avenue church, Hattiesburg, writes that the River Avenue church has licensed Wallace Harrell and Howard Fewell. E. M. Bilbo is pastor of the church.

During 1942 First Church, Knoxville, Tenn., led the Baptist churches of the South in giving to outside causes. This great church, led by Fred F. Brown for many years, set a great standard by contributing an average of \$36.25 per member to missions, education and benevolences. Total contributions to outside causes amounted to \$8,896.95; yet there are several Baptist churches with more wealth represented.

West Point: In the past six months our church has received \$9,141.96. Of this amount, \$4,879.22 has been given to outside causes or 53 per cent to outside causes and 47 per cent to local work.

The many friends of Dr. C. S. Thomas will sympathize with him in the death of his father, who died at Tupelo Hospital on July 10. He was a resident of Fulton and is survived by five children.

N. W. Carpenter, pastor of the Sarepta Baptist Church, announced their annual revival beginning July 25. T. L. Pfeifer, of Clinton, will do the preaching. Miss Frances Scott will be pianist. Rev. Pfeifer is a former pastor of Sarepta.

In nearly all of the countries at war, except the United States and Great Britain, it is recognized that strong drink is perilous to the efficiency of soldiers. It is said that in Russia if a woman offers a drink of liquor to a soldier the penalty is imprisonment for six months. Many of the fashionable and so-called distinguished women of our country would be languishing in prison this minute if that were the law in the United States. We thank God that our boys who are bearing arms are able to give a good account of themselves despite the handicap that our social customs place upon them.—Watchman-Examiner.

The eighty-third general assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U. S., met in Montreat, N. C., May 27-June 2. And that reminds us of the wisdom of planning now for the Southern Baptist Convention to meet at Ridgecrest, N. C., next June! By limiting accommodations to certified messengers there would be room enough under war-time conditions.—Western Recorder.

From Charity and Children we learn that "Not only was last year a banner year for the Baptists of the state but this year is running about 30 percent ahead of last year financially, according to M. A. Huggins."

The enrollment of the Vacation Bible School at Ashland Avenue Baptist Church, Lexington, Kentucky, Clarence Walker, pastor, was 1,025. Was there a larger school anywhere?

Martin J. Gilbert, pastor at Semmes, Alabama, writes of a good meeting at Semmes. He was assisted by W. A. (Slick) Green. There were 18 additions.

Dr. Claud Bowen, pastor of Calvary church, Jackson, has an interesting article in the August issue of the Sunday School Builder. The subject is: "The Standard Centers All the Work on Evangelism."

Audie L. Mays of New Albany has accepted the pastorate of the church at Germantown, Tennessee.

Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, professor of Bible at Blue Mountain College, is one of the lesson writers for the August issue of The Teacher. He writes "Teaching the Young People."

Philadelphia: At a combined meeting last Thursday evening of the deacons and the finance committee the minimum goal for the building fund was tentatively set by these groups at fifty thousand dollars, any unit of the proposed structure to be completed when the money is in hand. Three units are at present contemplated in the building program of the church: A beautiful auditorium with church organ, stained glass windows, and good equipment; an adequate educational building (some think that the present building can be turned entirely to educational work); and a parsonage. The church, due to splendid foresight of other years, already owns beautiful sites for these buildings and has \$6,100 in the building fund, all of which has been accumulated since January 1, 1942.

Mississippi Baptists

YOUR SECRETARY SAYS:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS" 1 Cor. 13:8b

"THEY . . . WENT EVERYWHERE PREACHING THE WORD." Acts 8:4

I.

The dates of the District Evangelistic Conferences in connection with the HYMAN APPELMAN meetings in 1944 are as follows:

- January 24-26—Laurel.
- February 14-16—McComb.
- February 28-March 1—Jackson.
- March 6-8—Columbus.
- March 20-22—New Albany.
- April 3-5—Clarksdale.

II.

BAPTISTS HAVE DIED FOR THESE PRINCIPLES

1. "Religious liberty and freedom of individual conscience for all.
2. Separation of religion from governmental control or influences.
3. Independence of the local congregation from hierarchial control.
4. Democratic processes in church government and society.
5. Access to God without a human priesthood.
6. Simple, informal religious services in the common language.
7. Making the Holy Scriptures the center of all religious worship."

—Arkansas Baptists.

III.

Logistics refers to the army science of having the right man and materials in the right place at the right time in order to gain the victory.

Mississippi Baptists might go on in the practice of Christian logistics.

In addition to foundations already laid and work already begun—we need:

1. A great summer assembly where hundreds would attend His services. A church, an individual, or an association might help make this possible by a grant.
2. A full corps of workers with the hundreds of thousands of Uncle Sam's service men in our State of Mississippi. An increase in State Mission receipts will help in this.
3. A State Music Director. An individual or a church might provide money for such a person's salary.
4. A B. S. U. Secretary for our State work. An individual or a church might designate monies for such a worker.
5. A State Brotherhood Director. An individual or a church might donate the money for such a work.
6. A full time worker with the Negroes of our State. An individual or a church might make this work possible.
7. A worker at Whitfield. Patients are asking for this help.
8. A North Mississippi Rural Evangelist, Enlistment and God's Storehouse Worker, and leave Brother Hilbun in South Mississippi. As Mr. LeTourneau made this possible in the case of Brother Hilbun, someone else might make the other possible.
9. A Coast Missionary—full time worker. We recently saw how badly that is needed.
10. A full time Choctaw Missionary in East Mississippi.
11. A full time Chinese Missionary in the Delta.
12. A Baptist Building. We have outgrown the present building. It is hardly in keeping with the great Cause it represents.

Some family would find in this an opportunity for a great memorial service. The name covers this state, goes on throughout the South, and into all parts of the world.

CONCLUSION: These things point toward Mississippi Baptists having the right men and materials in the right places at the right time (NOW) in order to gain the Victory for Christ's sake.

IV.

God is constantly speaking to His people in world terms.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." Gen. 1:1.

"In thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." Gen. 12:3.

"Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth." Isa. 45:22.

"That thou mayest be my salvation unto the ends of the earth." Isa. 49:6.

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15.

See also Acts 1:8, Rev. 7:9, Rev. 14:6, John 3:16, "God so loved the world."

God has ever taught His people in global terms. Time and again His people proved themselves to be self-centered, limited, provincial, and circumscribed in their interests, thinking, and actions.

God's people have not acted in the light of God's global program.

Now the god of war teaches us what global action means in men, money, and materials. If God's people had fitted into His pattern, the god of war would not have had such opportunity.

To fail to heed God is to lose in things that count!

What will we do about it?

Conventions and churches spend themselves over "things" in disputes and parliamentary procedure. Then, sometimes we brag about it after doing it. Nobody gets by with God in such matters!

Baptists need to take God at His word. "Let us not love in word only,

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD BUYS A HOME

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in its meeting July 8, took two steps of especial interest to Southern Baptists.

First, the Board purchased for a permanent home, a three-story brick building located out on Monument avenue, and plans to move to the new location September 1. The old building downtown, which the Board has occupied seven years, was sold recently and steps were taken to secure a new home away from the noise and confusion of the business district. The new building cost one-half of the amount for which the Franklin street property was sold. We shall not forget the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bottoms, Texarkana, Arkansas, whose gift years ago made possible a permanent home for the Foreign Mission Board.

The second step taken by the Board was the adoption of a resolution urging immediate modification of the Oriental Exclusion Act, because of its bearing on our national relations in China and because of its inconsistency with the Christian principles for which we stand. If Congress modifies the Oriental Exclusion Act, nations of the Orient will be placed on the same basis as nationals from other countries. If the regular quota provisions of the Immigration Act of 1924, which applied to European countries, were applied to China, only

but in deed and in truth."

TITHING BULLETINS OFFERED AT A SAVING

At least \$5 a week can be saved by any church that customarily uses a four page bulletin each week. Layman Tithing Foundation, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, offers this saving when using their four page bulletin. Two pages are printed with a Stewardship message, and two pages are left blank for local announcements. The company suggests that churches conduct a five weeks' or ten weeks' course of tithing education by using its bulletins, which are offered at a nominal sum. It offers a sample set containing 32 different tithing bulletins, in new type form and just revised free of charge, postage paid. Write at once for sample set.

Please mention The Baptist Record and also give your denomination.

LAYMAN TITHING FOUNDATION
740 Rush Street
Chicago

107 Chinese immigrants per year could be admitted from China into the United States.

China has won the admiration of the democratic nations of the world by its unyielding resistance to Japan for six years, and by the Christian leadership of Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-Shek. The relationship, to China particularly, would be immeasurably strengthened if Congress would modify the restrictions now in force against that country.

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"No, madam," said the clerk behind the drugstore soda fountain, "I'm not a pharmacist; I'm a fizzician."

V.

Through the years we have been unable to forget the remark of a great Seminary teacher who said with a marked note of pathos in his voice, "When I think of what Baptists are NOT doing, I am glad that Methodists, Presbyterians, and others are in the field."

He also said, "Some of those who talk most about Hell do it in the lightest spirit."

VI.

PEW SAYS TO PULPIT

"The pew is saying to the pulpit: What we want from you, Mr. Preacher, is just one thing—Yourself. If you preach Christ to us, we are not helped, unless you preach Him in terms of your own personal life. The historic Christ, the doctrinal Christ, the tabulated Christ, we, as well as you, can get from books. We do not want the Word alone but the Word made flesh in you, Mr. Preacher.

"We do not want from you, Mr. Preacher, information. All its sources are open to us as well as to you. We do not want science, history, philosophy, poetry, war news, current events. We want of you, Mr. Preacher, your heart. And if science, history, philosophy, poetry, current events help you shoot your heart straight at us, well; but unless your heart comes first we care nothing for these other things.

"Please go through your sermon, Mr. Preacher, before you bring it to us and cut out every fine-sounding phrase, every platitude, every pretty thing you will say just because you think it is pretty; everything you will say because you think it is your duty to say it. Give us only what you can't help saying—the thing that God has given you to say, and if you speak to us the message God has given you, we will detect it and heed it.

"We do not want you, Mr. Preacher, to berate us. We know how bad we are. And we already know we are selfish and mean; that we have robbed God and that we have fallen short of the glory of God. But, Mr. Preacher, these things are like the color of our eyes, like the corpuscles in our blood and you can't argue them away. It will take the grace of God to change a leper's spot and to remake the wheel that is already broken. We have heard that there is a 'balm in Gilead' and, oh, Mr. Preacher, do tell us about that—do you know anything about it? We do want to be healed and maybe our salvation is in that.

"We do not want you, Mr. Preacher, to entertain us. For we already know the way to the picture shows, to the theatres, to the comedians, acrobats, contortionists. We already know where the parks are and where the games are played. But these at their best do not satisfy us and we are looking to you for something greater than these.

"We like sound doctrines, Mr. Preacher, but we want the doctrine to be incarnated in your own soul. Religious theorems shining through your life and formulas of faith which have been shot through and through your own experience, we will receive from you but nothing more. We, like Paul, Mr. Preacher, 'seek not yours but you.' Please give us all of yourself with your whole heart plus as much of God as you have and we shall love you and be satisfied with you."

—Alabama Baptists.

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WHY THE PARTIALITY?

"The U. S. has assured the pope that the Vatican won't be bombed, but has warned that Rome will be raided if troops aren't moved out of the city," Newsweek, July 5 page 17. One is not surprised that Washington would agree to any demand of the pope, but the question arises whether our government could bind the Allies in such matters. The pope made his demands long after London and Coventry and many another city in Europe had seen its cathedrals in utter ruins.—Louie D. Newton.

Radio and newspaper reports today (Monday, July 19) EMPHASIZE the fact that our pilots who bombed Rome yesterday were carefully trained and strictly instructed to avoid historical and religious objects.

Did the Italians and Germans avoid religious property when they bombed London and Coventry?

News reports also state that advance assurances were given that the Vatican headquarters of the Roman Catholic hierarchy would not be molested. Many we respectfully state that there are some in Rome that are not Catholics. Were they advised that their property would not be bombed? Were the Lutherans of Germany given any assurance that our pilots were instructed to avoid getting close to their religious property?

In other words, this is war and if our government is going to start bowing and scraping to one denomination, it should do the same to others.

Frankly, we are sick and tired of so much favoritism.

A recent issue of the Baptist and Reflector, Tennessee Baptist paper, gives a full page to Dr. William A. Keel, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cleveland, in celebration of his second year as pastor there. Mississippians will remember Dr. Keel as a native of Oxford and a special distinction graduate of Mississippi College. He is also a graduate of our Seminary in Louisville.

OUR PRESBYTERIAN FRIENDS SET A GOOD EXAMPLE

From Religious News Service we quote:

MONTREAL, N. C.—For probably the first time in history, the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern) is virtually free from debt, according to a report presented here before the 30th annual meeting of the Presbyterian Education Association of the South.

Our Southern Baptist work is almost debt free.

And Mississippi Baptists are in high gear and headed for the town of "No Debts."

Our Mississippi bonded debt now totals \$156,500 and many are praying and working and giving with the hope that all the remaining bonds can be called on December 1.

We are not jealous of our Presbyterian friends but we wish for Mississippi and Southern Baptists the same glorious feeling that the Southern Presbyterians have.

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FAIR WARNING

Again we wish to warn any churches that are considering adopting the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record that we are very near our circulation limit unless the WPB allows us a larger quota of paper.

We also warn any who plan a club of subscribers or individual subscriptions.

For the benefit of any who doubt paper rationing we quote below an Associated Press dispatch from Tuscaloosa, Alabama:

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—(P)—Following the WPB order reducing the supply of newsprint to daily newspapers, Bruce Shelton, publisher of The Tuscaloosa News, announced in a front page statement Wednesday that The News would "freeze" its circulation as of today until further notice.

"No new subscribers will be accepted by us except as replacements for old ones. As things now stand, we can serve all present subscribers without reducing the quality of our publication. We regret the necessity of this act but know of no other answer to the problem," the publisher said.

DON'T WAIT TOO LONG.

Memphis, Tenn. (RNS)—A program of religious education for the city schools of Memphis has been proposed by the Memphis Ministers' Association. Although the proposal has been brought up for consideration by the Board of Education, no ruling has as yet been issued.

Big Springs, Lincoln County: During our recent revival there were five additions. James Allgood did the preaching, and our pastor, W. M. Tabb, led the singing. Mrs. S. W. Johnson was the pianist. We have organized a Young People's B. T. U. with 38 members. There are 42 enrolled in Sunday School. On Friday night during the revival a W. M. U. was organized.—Margaret Bowman.

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

OUR CHRISTIAN STATESMEN IN KEY POSITIONS

Three distinguished statesmen, Tom Connally, Walter F. George and Josiah W. Bailey, will have more to do with making the terms of the treaty after the present war than any other statesmen except the President and the secretary of state. These three statesmen are graduates of three of our Southern Baptist schools. All three while yet in school in Mercer University, and in Wake Forest College, gave promise of the qualities of leadership that would some day be required to solve through legislative and diplomatic channels the most intricate problems ever to confront the American people.

Baptists not only but all citizens especially of Georgia, of Texas, and of North Carolina, are proud of these, the most influential of the United States senators. All are members of the foreign relations committee, and Senator Connally, Baylor University alumnus, is chairman. Senator George, Mercer University alumnus, is chairman of the finance committee, now more important than ever before; and Senator Bailey, Wake Forest alumnus, is chairman of the commerce committee, also more far-reaching in significance than ever before.

Never in American history has there been such an opportunity for Christian statesmanship to demonstrate its effectiveness. Nor have Southern Baptists ever had as now quite the basis for gratitude that they have established and maintained Christian colleges and universities for the training of Christian statesmen for the unprecedented responsibilities for which these great political leaders are adequately equipped.—News and Views.

Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR
By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

THE CHURCH

H. W. Roberson, Lexington, Miss

Before Jesus came there was no church. He is its Founder and Head. It is the only organization on earth that was established by the Son of God. There are lodges and secret societies, and fraternities and clubs everywhere, but they are of human origin. A Baptist church is a body of baptized believers, who have voluntarily banded themselves together to observe Christ's commands and to extend His Kingdom on the earth. The first church was a body of baptized believers voluntarily banded together for this same purpose.

The Wheel of Church Service

In order to carry out the commands of Christ, our churches have been organized into departments, each department with its different and definite task. We may think of a church as a great wheel with five

necessary spokes, each spoke doing its own work, and all working together to make effective the one great wheel of which they are a part.

The five spokes working separately could not make the wheel render the service for which it was intended. If one spoke should say, "I'll do my own work but I will not help the other spokes; in fact, I'll try to hurt their work," the wheel would fall. If one spoke should become weak and cease to do its work, the wheel would be crippled in its usefulness.

So it is with our churches. Each organization must cooperate with every other organization, while it tries to make its own work all that the Master wants it to be. The five organizations that we want to discuss are the five spokes that go to make up the wheel of the church service.

The Missionary Service

Jesus said, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields." The task of every Baptist church is a missionary task. The church is itself a missionary organization. Every service of our church should be missionary. However, the women and young people of our churches have been definitely studying the needs of the world for years. The W. M. U. organizations, with the graded programs reaching all ages, have been one of the greatest missionary factors in the world. The men in their Brotherhoods are becoming organized for definite missionary activities. The missionary organizations of the church are the knowledge-giving organizations. "Know, and you will give; know, and you will pray; know, and you will go." Every church member should be loyal to the missionary organizations.

The Prayer Service

Jesus said, "My house shall be called a house of prayer." God promises His richest blessings to those who pray. Wednesday evening should be a sacred evening in the life of every church member. A consecrated Christian woman has charge of a large boarding house in one of our cities. Her duties in the evening make it impossible for her to attend prayer services of her church, but on that evening those in the home are asked to refrain from their games and other forms of amusement during the hour in which her church is at prayer. A church member who neglects the prayer service, without an excuse well pleasing to God, is untrue to the church covenant and is hindering the work of the church.

The Preaching Service

The most important service is that service in which the pastor brings to the members God's Word. The pastor is God's prophet. His calling is sacred. His is the highest mission on earth. Occasionally young people will drift from church to church; they go with the crowd! they go to other churches "because their friends go there." They attend Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. and then go home or somewhere else. This fact each church member needs to remember: "If I have joined a church, God expects me to be loyal to that church. I am responsible for the success of its services. My place is in my church when my pastor preaches."

The Teaching Service

The psalmist says: "The entrance of Thy Word giveth light." Each church member should be loyal to the service in which the Word of God is taught. Each Sunday morning at the

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teaching hour every member should be found in his place, Bible in hand, with mind and heart open, seeking the way and will of God. "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and light unto my path." (Psalm 119:105.)

The Training Service

By the training service I mean the B. T. U., and although this does not do all the training that is done in a Baptist church, it is the main training service of the church, because that is its specific aim and method. The times in which we live demand that for the best interests of the young people and for the best interests of our churches, our people must be led to more Bible study, more mission study, more practice of stewardship, more attendance at preaching service, and more practical training in church membership. These are promoted by the B. T. U.

When this awful world war started thousands of our young men heard the call for soldiers. They answered. They enlisted. They put on uniforms. But they were not ready for battle. Though they were willing to fight, their country said: "You must first enter a training camp and learn how to be a good soldier. Your country needs more than willing soldiers, it needs trained soldiers."

In the battle against Satan, our Father is calling for trained soldiers. It is not enough to enlist and put on a uniform. We must learn how to fight. So the church has a training service—the B. T. U. Every church member should be loyal to the training service if he wishes to do his best for his church and his Master. Its motto is: "We study that we may serve," and the aim is: "Training in church membership."

TEN BEST BOOKS

They are:

"The Kingdom of God Realism," E. Stanley Jones.

"Preaching From the Prophets," Kille M. Yates.

"Prayer," George M. Buttrick.

"He Opened the Book," Tunis E. Gowens.

"Parables and Metaphors of Our Lord," G. Campbell Morgan.

"The Imperial Christ," S. E. Tull.

"The Gospel of Greece," Clyde Turner.

"The Grit and Grapple With Life," S. A. Campbell.

"Sermon From Revelation," Clovis Chappell.

"Kept By the Power of God," J. A. Phillips.—C. Z. Holland, Canton, Miss.

Fresno, Calif. (RNS) —Through concerted action on the part of Catholic, Jewish and Protestant religious leaders here, the schools have agreed that, for one night each week, they will schedule no activities. The action gives religious groups an opportunity to hold their organizational meetings without the competition which had hindered them when school athletic events, rehearsals and organizational meetings had first claim on the time of the city's young people. (Mississippi schools please copy.) Religious youth groups have taken on new life since it has been possible for them to call their members together, knowing that school activities will not conflict with these meetings. The plan has been so suc-



MISS SARA FRANCES GILL

On June the first, Miss Sara Frances Gill began full time employment with the First Baptist Church of Holly Springs as organist and director of music, and as office secretary. Miss Gill is a graduate of M. S. C. W. in the class of 1942. She has a B. M. degree from this school in addition to her work completed in the School of Liberal Arts. She is a native of Holly Springs.

Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley
Soldiers, Sailors, Defense Projects
Service

APPROVED OF GOD

VERSE FOR TODAY: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15.

In our daily lives, we deal in liabilities and assets. Life has ups and downs much as an elevator in a building. Most of us think of our downs and losses too much. In a world that is in turmoil and the peoples are gasping for existence, it is high time to consider what may be termed our "assets." New Testament Christians lost much but gained more, so do we of today find that there are intangible things that are as foundations to stand upon—the reality of God, a personal Saviour, the blessing of Bible study, the joy of service, and personal faith.

In addition to these are personal assets such as, reputation, character, brain power and energy, that properly used make a man. God gives each individual talents, and time; and the record of a life is how one uses these. Some succeed; some fail—according to the way one has chosen to go. Schools, colleges, and technical training are vital. Awards, certificates, and college degrees are worthy objectives; but there is one degree that each of us should strive to attain. That is the degree A.U.G.—"Approved Unto God." When an individual has this, all outside powers cannot destroy that life.

PRAYER: Help us, Lord Jesus, to be willing to do thy will. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Chaplain Solon L. Cole
Keesler Field, Mississippi.

cessful that it is proposed now to set aside two nights a week for the affairs of church groups.

THE ORDER SET BY JESUS

As we face State Mission needs, and, the coming State Mission season, let us consider the proper order of emphasis.

In the LAST REQUEST of Jesus, He said, "But ye shall receive power—After that the Holy Ghost is come upon you."

"And ye shall be witnesses unto me

"Both in Jerusalem,

"And in all Judea,

"And in Samaria,

"And unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8.

Some people never express interest in Jerusalem (local church) evangelism and missions. Some start and stop there. Some start there and jump to Foreign Missions, omitting all interest in the Divine order of Judea and Samaria Missions.

Last year when for the first time we preached a series of sermons on Acts 1:8, we found ourselves starting with Foreign Missions. Next we treated Home Missions and so on. We reversed the order set by Jesus. Did He just happen to set that order as found in Acts 1:8—"Power," "Holy Ghost," "Witnesses," "Jerusalem," "Judea," "Samaria," and "unto the uttermost part of the earth?" Or, is there Divine purpose in that order?

We have been weak in a measure in Home and Foreign Missions, because we have neglected the basal unit—His Church, and Judean (State) Missions.

One out of five of His Churches—His sweat and blood upon them—won no one to Christ last year—gave not one penny to spread the Gospel beyond the local church.

As we follow the Jesus order—Jerusalem—local church—we go next to State Missions. As we build here we are ready for Samaria (Home) Missions. As we are strong there we are ready for a vigorous Foreign Mission program.

We want the way of Jesus—for Salvation—for baptism—in financial support—in evangelism, missions and all the rest!

We will never have THAT way so long as we SLUR OVER Judean (State) missions.

The largest ministry is rendered by the local church. State Missions may be integrated with it but it can never substitute for it. The next most substantial ministry is wrought by State Missions. Home, or Foreign Missions can never work as intensively and comprehensively in a State as does State Missions. Witness, for instance, our recent Soul Winning Crusade. An outside agency has never approached the extent of that campaign in our State.

Home Missions comes next in the Scriptural order. Then comes Foreign Missions. Each a part of the Divine order, mind you!

Let us continue to intensify our Judean (State) Mission work that we may count for more for Christ in the other. And do not forget our State Mission work has doubled within the last few years. This by the grace of God and the support of His churches.

**STATE MISSIONS!
HOW YOU MAY HELP—
TAKE MISSISSIPPI FOR CHRIST!**

Something needs to be done!

Out of a population of 2,000,000 we have 720,000 LOST persons above ten years of age.

WE NEED MORE WORKERS!

WE NEED MORE PREACHING!

WE NEED MORE BIBLE TEACHERS!

This need is existent among the white people!

This need is seen among the Negroes! Also among the Chinese and Choctaws!

THIS NEED IS URGENT AMONG THE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF SERVICE MEN WITHIN OUR STATE!

How you may help! Your class, union, circle, and church may help also! First, "Pray the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth labourers into the harvest." Jesus taught this in Matthew 9:38.

Second, Win someone about you to Christ!

Third, give \$5 - \$10 - \$25 - \$50 - \$75 - \$100 - \$250 - \$500 - \$1,000. Designate it to STATE MISSIONS, or, some phase of that work, as—Service men—help give more tracts, gospels and other help to men who now serve Uncle Sam.

CHOCTAW WORK—It will enlarge our work with them.

NEGRO WORK—our greatest opportunity, and right at our door.

CHINESE WORK—did you know we have a part-time worker among these people in the delta?

PASTORAL AID—help some preacher preach Jesus every week in the year.

BUILDING AID—why not erect a rural house of worship? Many a reader of these lines is able to give all the needed supplementary help to an individual church.

RETIRED MINISTERS—Ministers won many of you to Christ—a minister baptized you—ministers married many of you—a minister will "bury" you—he prayed for your prodigal children—he visited you when you were sick—why not REMEMBER!

There are other STATE MISSION objects. Some church might support a Brotherhood, or, a BSU SECRETARY.

An extra offering of \$5 - \$10 - \$15 - \$25 - \$50 - \$100 - \$250 - \$500 - \$1,000, would help us double our efforts in many places.

An extra \$3,000 would put a full-time man in the field, after folks for Christ! If we may help, call upon us!

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The W. M. U. office has just had a visit from Auris Pender and it rejoices our heart to see her looking so well and happy as she contemplates returning to Free China in the early fall. She is one of 14 missionaries chosen some months ago to return in September or October. Recently it is feared some of the number will have to be left behind but she is assured by the Board that if they can only return six of the 14, she will be one of them.

Her fellow worker in China is Margie Shumate. Since last August she has been in Toi Shan District in Kwang Tung Province in the famine area where millions are starving. The little boys shown in picture on this page died before the picture was developed. The Foreign Mission Board sends Miss Shumate \$5,000 per month to feed the starving millions. She says it pains her heart to see hordes who must go away hungry.

Have you dear readers been one of those who talk much about the privations of rationing, the high cost of living? What would you think if chickens sold from \$30 to \$50 apiece, rice for \$10 to \$15 per pound, peanut oil \$30 per pound, pork \$50 per pound. These are the prices that prevail in that section of China. Don't miss an opportunity to give to Chinese Relief. Our boys and girls at camp gave quite a sum to this cause this summer.

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission graded series for 1943 is on Africa. It seems providential that this country was chosen for this time since Africa is in the news today. It has been brought closer to us too because so many of our boys are there.

The newest book in this graded series is "So This Is Africa" by Miss Susan Anderson, one of our Southern Baptist missionaries that has been in Africa more than 20 years. The book is written for the Intermediate grades but it is so thrilling to this writer she could not put it down, when once she began reading. We have not had a mission study book that presented the customs, religions, and missionary personnel in a more dramatic way than this one and those of us who know her as a personal friend catch glimpses of her personality stepping out of every page.

The price of it is 40c. Order from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson.

Members of the Business Women's Circles please take note of the attractive program given below. Study also the items of interest in the program of Home Mission Week.

Henderson, N. C. (RNS)—Plans for inaugurating Bible instruction in the city schools here next fall were completed at a meeting of Protestant ministers. The ministers were told that city school authorities already have endorsed the plan and that a poll of senior and junior students in the high school showed that an overwhelming majority of them intend to take the instruction if it is offered.



Some of China's Starving Millions

Conference Program For Business Women's Circles

August 4-10, 1943, Ridgecrest, N. C.
THEME: Come Women, Christ Proclaim

Thursday, August 5—

9:00-10:00—The Organization of B. W. C.

"Come women, sing evermore! Christ who crowned you with light, praise and adore!"

Leaders: Miss Hannah Reynolds, La.; Miss Fannie Traylor, Miss.

5:00- 5:55—Open House—State - by - State through the Southland.
Hostess States: N. C., Ga., D. C., Ky.

Friday, August 6—

9:00-10:00—Through Tithes and Offerings.

"Sisters from many lands teach to adore!"

Leaders: Miss Janice Singleton, Ga.; Miss Vonnie Lance, S. C.

5:00- 5:55—Open House—State - by - State through the Southland.
Hostess States: Tenn., Fla., La., Mo.

Saturday, August 7—

9:00-10:00—In the Community.

"For the sin-sick and worn, all

who in darkness mourn, pray, work yet more!"

Leader: Miss Josephine Jones, Ill.

5:00- 5:55—Open House—State - by - State through the Southland.

Hostess States: Okla., Ark., Miss., Ala., Tex.

Sunday, August 8—

9:00-10:00—Address: Come Women, Christ Proclaim! Miss Kathleen Mallory.

Monday, August 9—

9:00-10:00—Learn through Study to "Work with your courage high, sing of the daybreak nigh, your love outpour!"

Leader: Mrs. Una R. Lawrence.

5:00- 5:55—Open House—State - by - State through the Southland.
Hostess States: Va., Ariz., S. C., Md., N. M., Ill.

Tuesday, August 10—

9:00-10:00—Proclaim through Better Programs

"Christ hope of all the meek, Christ whom all earth shall seek!"

Leader: Miss Blanche S. White, Va.

Home Mission Week To Focus Attention on Spiritual Problems Joe W. Burton Secretary of Education, Home Mission Board

The Home Mission Conference at Ridgecrest this summer, August 4-10, will be a thorough consideration of the spiritual problems now confronting Christians in America, according to Dr. J. B. Lawrence. Full consideration of these important matters will be given through conference discussions, open forums, talks by Home Board workers, prepared addresses by men close to these problems, missionary adventures from the fields.

Three conferences will be in session on the grounds during the same period of Home Mission Week, as members of Business Women's Circles under the leadership of Miss Mary Christian and the Brotherhood led by Lawson H. Cooke cooperate with Home Board forces in a tri-conference. The Editorial Conference for lesson writers and editors of the Sunday School Board's staff will also be in session at the same time.

A noon address each day will focus attention upon specific areas of home mission needs as different members of the Home Mission Board speak on the topic, "Home Mission Needs in My State." Each morning session will include an hour and fifteen minutes for conference on special phases of home missions. These phases in the order they are to be considered in the conference are: camp work led by Alfred Carpenter; education, Joe W. Burton; city missions, Solomon F. Dowis; Jewish work, Jacob Gartenhaus; Negro missions, Noble Y. Beall; rural needs, Courts Redford. The program each day will be concluded with the showing of natural color pictures by the Board's secretary of education.

On invitation of Dr. T. L. Holcomb, both sermons at worship services on Sunday, August 8, will be brought by Dr. J. B. Lawrence. Evening addresses have also been arranged by Dr. Holcomb, with Dr. Lawrence scheduled to speak Wednesday, August 4.

All members of the Home Mission Board, both local and state, are expected to attend the conference and to participate in the program.

Durham, N. C. (RNS)—Following a protest by church groups against its ruling banning use of city recreation areas for religious services, the City Recreation Commission here has just announced that specified areas may be used for religious purposes under certain conditions. The commission released a statement stating that "it favors the use of the parks and recreation facilities for religious purposes and wishes to encourage such usage to the fullest extent on the part of any interested group provided such use does not interfere with the primary purposes for which the parks and facilities are provided; to wit: recreation."

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"Repeal put US in booziness!"

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

A year ago Mississippi College was facing many problems. Her young men were being taken by the draft in alarming numbers. Hillman College had just been taken over in order that more young ladies might attend Mississippi College to fill the ranks left vacant by the young men joining the armed forces, and also that the "co-eds" might have living quarters. Today the outlook is more assuring and the experiment has proven to be most successful. The Hillman-Mississippi College consolidation has proven to be so satisfactory that even those who were skeptical have seen the wisdom of the arrangement. Boys are still being drafted but in the place of those who have gone have come 350 fine young men who are being trained for officers in the navy. The addition of the navy unit and the Hillman girls to the civilian students should boost the enrollment this year beyond any number we have had in recent years.

There is a mistaken impression that the navy has taken over Mississippi College. The fact is that Mississippi College is running as usual, and has 350 naval cadets as regular students. A fine group of naval officers is in charge of the discipline and physical training of these sailors, but all the teaching is done by regular Mississippi College professors.

The naval officers are all men of character and ability and they are co-operating heartily in upholding the high ideals and principles for which Mississippi College stands. The commanding officer holds degrees from Oxford University in England, and has been professor of English in the City College of New York. The executive officer holds a Ph.D. degree and is associate professor of English in the University of Colorado, on leave for the duration.

Mississippi College is also fortunate in the quality of the students in the naval unit. They are the highest ranking high school graduates and transfers from other colleges. They have been selected with the view of training them for officers in the navy. Sixty-seven of them were transferred to Mississippi College from Baylor University; 27 from University of Mississippi; 37 from Memphis State Teachers College; 12 each from the two Mississippi Teachers Colleges and smaller numbers from other colleges. Most of them are from Mississippi but men are here from as far away as California, New Jersey, Michigan, Florida, Nebraska, Colorado, and many other distant states.

A naval officer stated that Mississippi College received a much deserved honor in being designated for naval training since about nine out of ten institutions applying for this type of training were turned down. This was a fine tribute to the splendid reputation and standing of Mississippi College. It is hoped that the Christian environment of Clinton will have a telling influence on these sailor boys. Our civilian students should in return learn many fine lessons from the navy in promptness, neatness, obedience, regularity and strict attention to duty. The College is now running twelve months a year and students can complete a standard four year course in less than three calendar years.

Mississippi College is the greatest

WHAT CAN I DO WITH LIFE'S BURDENS?

By Raymond Herrington

Scripture—Galatians 6:5; 6:2; Psalms 55:22

All of us have our burdens. None of us can escape the burdens of life. Some have more burdens than others. The lost person has his burdens as well as the saved person.

As we come to realize that this is true we are made to ask the question, "What can I do with my burdens?" Friends may have advice for us at this point but our source of authority is God's word. The Bible has three things to say about our burdens. First, we are to bear our own burdens. Galatians 6:5, "For every man shall bear his own burdens." There are some things in life that we must do for ourselves.

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Every man is responsible to God for some things.

1. Life: Jesus Christ has come into the world bringing life to all men everywhere on one condition. That is that they accept Jesus as their own personal Saviour. No one can do that for us. Every person is left with that responsibility for himself.

2. As saved people we are responsible to God for our talents. In the parable of the talents in Matthew 25 the man traveling into a far country gave his servants talents according to their ability. So does Jesus give talents to us according to our ability. He never gives us more than we can manage. He always expects us to use those talents to His glory. Therefore we as Christians are responsible to God for how we use them.

3. We are responsible to God for our money. Someone may say, "I made this crop by myself. This money belongs to me." Does it? Can you keep on living and making money if God should take the breath you breathe away from you? Can you produce rain and sunshine that will cause your crops to grow and produce? If you can not do these things then God must do them for you, and you are due Him something in return. Not only are we due God ten cents out of every dollar, but we are to use the ninety cents that He has given us in a manner that will honor Him.

4. Again we as Christians are responsible for the opportunities that God gives to us. Our hands and our feet are the only hands and feet that God has here on earth. He expects

asset of the Baptists of Mississippi. From it have come denominational leaders and Christian statesmen. Its influence has reached around the world. If it is to be kept great, it must receive hearty support.

It is better for a student never to have a day in college than to go to a school where his faith will be shaken and his morals lowered. The task of the Christian college is not only to develop the mental and the physical but the moral and spiritual as well. The aim is to develop well rounded Christian leaders, men and women who will not spend all their energies in getting worldly goods for themselves, but who will live for others. The mission of Mississippi College is to produce leaders who will make this world a better place in which to live. To this end we ask your support and your prayers.—M. P. L. Berry.



DR. G. NORMAN PRICE

INDIANOLA CHURCH EXTENDS CALL TO DR. G. NORMAN PRICE

Dr. G. Norman Price, assistant professor in the Department of Religion, Meredith College, Raleigh, North Carolina, has been called as pastor at Indianola. He has accepted and plans to begin his pastorate August 15.

Dr. Price is a native Kentuckian and was educated at Georgetown College, Kentucky, and the Southern Baptist Seminary at Louisville. From the latter institution he earned the Th.M. and Ph.D. degrees.

Mrs. Price is the former Elizabeth Anne Cooper, daughter of Dr. W. R. Cooper, now pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tylertown.

us to grasp every opportunity of service that comes our way. How many people have you worked or walked by that you knew were lost and did not speak to them about Christ? God holds us responsible for these opportunities. May it be the prayer of every Mississippi Baptist that God will give us a love for lost people—such a burning love for them that we will go out to tell them just how much Jesus loved them and what He has done for them.

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In the second place, we are to bear one another's burdens. Galatians 6:2. "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." The secret of the life of Jesus is found in these words, "He went about doing good." He is our example. Jesus helped those who needed His help. We are to do as He did.

a. How are we to help people?

1. First of all, we are to help people by living the right kind of a life before them. Some one has said, "One example is worth a thousand arguments." Ten righteous people would have saved Sodom from destruction but they were not to be found there. It was said of John Chrysostom, "It would be better for the sun to cease shining than for him to cease his preaching." God grant that we as preachers could have that said about us.

2. We are to help people by believing in them. We are not to be looking for the moles in everybody's eye, but we are to look for something good in our fellow man. Jesus saw something good in everyone He met. To Matthew, the tax gatherer, Jesus said, "Follow me." People in those days looked down upon Matthew because of his business. Jesus came along and looked beyond his business and

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DR. R. A. TULLOS

DR. R. A. TULLOS ACCEPTS CALVARY PASTORATE

Dr. R. A. Tullos of Dentville, Miss., has accepted the call of Calvary Baptist Church, Greenwood, beginning July 1. He succeeds Dr. Otho A. Eure, who entered the army as chaplain.

Dr. Tullos came to Calvary highly recommended as a consecrated Christian, hard worker, good preacher, and interested in lost souls.

There is a great challenge for the new pastor of Calvary Baptist Church. It is said that few, if any, churches in the state have exceeded it in growth during the last eight years. It grew from a mission to quarter time, then to a full time church, at one time being partially supported by the board and other church members. Today, the church and pastorium are worth approximately \$33,000 and free of debt. The membership is progressive and responsive.

Since his arrival Dr. Tullos has re-organized the B. T. U. and Sunday school so that they are functioning more efficiently.

Dr. Tullos is a graduate of Mississippi College and the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans. He received his Th.D. in 1940. Since this time he has been pastor of Pine Bluff and Carpenter churches in Copiah county.

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New Orleans, La. (RNS)—A minute of noonday prayer for an Allied victory and a just peace is being observed here each weekday under a program initiated by a nonsectarian committee of church women and supported by a proclamation of Mayor Robert S. Maestri. Bells of many New Orleans' churches rang out to sound the "Call to Prayer" as the program was started. Clergymen had appealed to their congregations to participate. The Very Rev. A. Carroll Badeaux, chancellor of the archdiocese of New Orleans, said Catholics would add a special plea for peace to their noonday Angelus. Mayor Maestri's proclamation asked that citizens pause one minute at noon to ask God's blessings for those in the country's service; for the President of the United States, his counsellors, and all leaders both in church and state throughout the world, and for a just and durable peace.

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No system of government will work in a land where everyone tries to work the government.



Blue Mountain, Miss., July 12—Pictures of these Blue Mountain College grandchildren will appear in the July Alumnae Bulletin which will be off the press next week: (1) Elbert Landrum Outlaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Outlaw, Baldwin; (2) Daniel L. Skilton, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L. Skilton, Blue Mountain; (3) Bobbie Lee and Patsy Ruth Parchman, children of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lee Parchman, Memphis, Tenn.

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IN MEMORY OF MOTHER DEAR

Mrs. H. Barker

Mother dear we miss you day by day
Since God called you away,
We sadly miss your cheers and loving face,
Though He called you through His loving grace,
To dwell with Him and fill a vacant place.

Our grief seems more than we can stand,
But we know you rest in Glory land,
How we miss the guidance of your hand,
Since you dwell with an angel band.

While she was here being glad,
She was busy cheering people who were sad,
Although her heart might ache a bit,
You'd soon forget to notice it.

She was always busy being good,
And doing just the best she could,
She had not time to blame no man,
Who's doing the best he can.

She was busy being true,
To what she knew she ought to do,
She stayed so busy she'd forget,
The blunders of other folks she met.

She kept busy being right,
And find herself too busy quite,
To criticize her neighbors long,
If they were busy doing wrong.

She is missed by friends and loved ones too,
The loving things her hands did do;
We know our loss is heaven's gain,
And we pray Oh God that we may meet her again.

—Mrs. R. D. Russell.

—BR—

There are folks that irritate us, not because they have faults, but because their faults are different from ours.

—BR—

"Booze is to blame for many a shame!"

—BR—

"If you knew—you'd do without booze!"

MRS. W. R. COOPER

When the phone message reached us that Mrs. W. R. Cooper, wife of the beloved pastor at Tylertown, had passed away, there came immediately into my mind the words of the apostle John in his third epistle, "A fellowhelper to the truth."

It seems when the life work of one of the Lord's servants is finished, it is the fulfillment of some word of scripture. This one seems to fit beautifully the life of Mrs. Cooper. She was for forty-four years a source of strength to her preacher-husband in all his work of ministering. When they met in Line Creek church, when Brother Cooper began his work as pastor, both seemed to realize that they were meant for one another.

It was my privilege to be a guest in their home after they began housekeeping. It was beautiful to see how their life purposes blended into one. I have followed their service to the Master in various pastorates in Mississippi, and it was a joy to see how she contributed to the value of his ministry; and this without diminishing in any degree her devotion to her family of children. Side by side with him she was a "fellowhelper to the truth."

To do this requires the finest Christian qualities. There must be love of the truth, a devotion to it because it is from God. There must be sympathy with those who advocate and live the truth. There must be the spirit of cooperation, and love for those who love the truth. There must be willingness to make self and all selfish interests subsidiary to and contributory to the truth. Then there is joy in its progress and its victories.

How nobly and unselfishly she stood by those who love the truth! Some of us will recall incidents when she came and with a gentle touch on the arm, said, "I am glad you did that; you certainly did the right thing today."

She believed that people who loved the truth should make the best possible preparation to be its advocates. She stood by her husband in his efforts to secure the best possible education, and later when the opportunity came for her to get a college degree, she worked to that end till it was achieved.

The truth of God stands firm today in many hearts because she taught and exemplified it. Her children and other people's children, and friends in the maturity years today are better for the life she lived. So may her ministry of love be perpetuated and multiplied until Jesus comes. She was truly a fellowhelper to the truth.—P. I. Lipsey.

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IN REMEMBRANCE OF
MRS. REBECCA E. COGHLAN

Near the close of a spring day God in His wise wisdom permitted death to remove from our midst our sweet friend and co-worker, Mrs. Rebecca Elizabeth Coghlan, 73 years of age, of Spanish Fort, Mississippi. She went home to be with God. Her remains were laid to rest in a beautiful cemetery at Carthage, where the winds are blowing gently through the stately pines, where the flowers are spilling their fragrance, where the birds singing will continue to waft her praises to God.

If to live in the hearts of those we leave behind is not to die, then our friend is with us still.

The Baptist Church of Spanish Fort

THE TRAGEDY OF THE
INCOMPLETE

If Christ had not completed His mission on earth all of us would have been lost. Christ did not stop short of Calvary.

As He bore His heavy Cross, with excruciating thorns pressed to His blessed brow, spat upon by the rabble, jeered at by His enemies, utterly exhausted, He must have been sorely tempted to quit, since He was man as well as God and subject to temptations even as you and I. But no, He kept on and fulfilled the purpose of His mission. Even as He agonized on the Cross He refused to quit. He was God and could have avoided all His suffering. But He fulfilled His mission, thus providing us with eternal salvation.

"Calvary"

"Friendless and faint, with martyred steps and slow,

Faint for the flesh, but for the spirit free,

Stung by the mob that came to see the show,

The Master toiled along to Calvary; We jibed Him, as He went, with houndish glee,

Till His dimmed eyes for us did overflow;

We cursed His vengeless hands thrice wretchedly,—

And this was nineteen hundred years ago.

"But after nineteen hundred years the shame

Still clings, and we have not made good the loss

That outraged faith has entered in His name.

Ah, when shall come love's courage to be strong!

Tell me, O Lord, tell me,—O Lord, how long

Are we to keep Christ writhing on the Cross!"

—Edwin Arlington Robinson.

Jesus pioneered in Christian education; He established the first Christian school (Matthew 11:29).

Mississippi Baptists seem determined to complete the Blue Mountain College endowment fund. Remittances from churches are being received almost daily by Brother McCall's office and by Dr. Lowrey's office. Many churches who could not take their offerings in June are doing so this month, or plan to do so at the opportune time in the light of their particular situations.

Several thousand dollars have been received to date, but definite announcement will not be made until about August 15, thus giving all church treasurers opportunity to remit.

has sustained the loss of a member who was faithful and true. She was always glad to co-operate in plans for the good of all.

Our W. M. U. has lost a friend whose fellowship was a privilege and pleasure to enjoy. All are grieved at her going away. We miss her in our church activities as she was always faithful as long as she was able to go, and paid tithes. Our friend is not dead. She is just away. She is somewhere in the sunlight strong. Her tears are in the falling rain.

She calls me in the wind's soft song and with the flowers she comes again.

Her friend—Mrs. Estelle Cook, Spanish Fort, Miss.

MINISTERS WHO HAVE BROKEN
BREAD WITH J. R. RISER, SR.

Names of ministers of the gospel that have eaten one or more meals in my home from 1885 to 1942:

- 1—Aultman, L. T.
- 2—Bass, C. E. (pastor).
- 3—Borum, W. A.
- 4—Brame, Webb.
- 5—Byrd, O. L.
- 6—Bunyard, R. L. (pastor).
- 7—Campbell, L. Bracey.
- 8—Carter, J. R. (pastor).
- 9—Carter, W. O.
- 10—Cooper, S. G.
- 11—Cooper, R. A.
- 12—Davis, B. Locke.
- 13—Davis, Montie.
- 14—Deaton, J. S.
- 15—Ellard, C. H. (pastor).
- 16—Derrick, M. J. (pastor).
- 17—Ellis, S. M.
- 18—Franks, J. D.
- 19—Flowers, Madison.
- 20—Gray, J. W. (pastor).
- 21—Haman, P. A.
- 22—Hitt, J. R. (pastor).
- 23—Huffstatler, F. Z.
- 24—Hughes, J. L.
- 25—Hobbs, J. R.
- 26—Izzard ...
- 27—James, W. H. (Happy).
- 28—Johnston, J. R.
- 29—Langley, R. A. (pastor).
- 30—Leavell, Z. T.
- 31—Lewis, Charles L. (pastor).
- 32—Lewis, H. T.
- 33—Lipsey, P. I.
- 34—Linton, A. J.
- 35—Lee, J. A.
- 36—Lott, J. G.
- 37—Lowe, J. E.
- 38—Lowrey, Mark.
- 39—Parker, J. C. (pastor).
- 40—Pettigrew, J. L. (pastor).
- 41—Price, W. P.
- 42—Pugh, A. P.
- 43—Purser, F. M.
- 44—Speight, G. B.
- 45—Hill, J. O.
- 46—Nutt, J. R.
- 47—Powell, R. L. (pastor).
- 48—Quin, J. B.
- 49—Richardson, ...
- 50—Rogers, W. S.
- 51—Riser, J. S. Jr.
- 52—Rushing, H. I.
- 53—Simmons, Bryan.
- 54—Smith, J. B.
- 55—Sullivan, W. A. (pastor).
- 56—Suttle, G. H. (pastor).
- 57—Wallace, R. L. (pastor).
- 58—Walker, B. W.
- 59—Webb, H. H.
- 60—Williams, Owen.
- 61—Williams, W. A. (pastor).
- 62—Whitfield, J. H.
- 63—Yarbrough, W. F.

(Signed) J. S. RISER, SR.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U.

ATTENDANCE

	SS	BTU
Calvary church, Jackson	741	156
First Jackson	812	197
Griffith Memorial	559	221
Linn	99	37
Crystal Spring	436	165
Louisville	204	
Ackerman	95	20
Enon (Panola)	57	50
Wallerville	59	30
Olive Branch	82	38
Liberty Hill (Panola)	118	
Cross Roads (Webster)	78	
Bethlehem (Jones)	63	43
New Albany	396	108
July 11, 1943		
Yazoo City	204	
Bethlehem (Jones)	70	63
Cross Roads (Webster)	65	
Shelton (Jones)	39	25
Wallerville	82	28
Liberty Hill (Panola)	130	67

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"To be sure to lose—buy booze!"

GOING PLACES

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."



REV. JOE CRUISE

Perry and Cruise Produce Number 637

Recently Joe Cruise became pastor at Tate Street Church in Corinth and soon thereafter Enlistment Pastor M. E. Perry assisted in a revival meeting. Such a combination is unbeatable.

In addition to other evidences of a revival, the church adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan and thus became number 637 to adopt this popular and progressive plan.

Alcorn county now has Record readers as follows: HINKLE CREEK 44; Corinth First 18; TATE STREET 60; WEST CORINTH 40; RIENZI 46; Glenn 1; Love Joy 2; Kossuth 12; Tishomingo Chapel 8; Kemp's Chapel 11; Jacinto 6; New Liberty 12; Glendale 1; Liberty Hill 10; Piney Grove 1; Lone Oak 1.

Concerning the Record, Pastor Cruise says, "I feel that the Record will be a great blessing to our church membership."

Number 638 is Belden

Belden church, Lee County, John I. Berryhill, pastor, is the second of Pastor Berryhill's churches to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan and he expects the third to adopt it before this article is printed.

He recently led East Tupelo to try the EVERY FAMILY Plan and he has recently sent us the good news that Belden has become an EVERY FAMILY Church. This church is number 638 on our EVERY FAMILY list.

The EVERY FAMILY Plan Helps Pastorless Church

"As we are without a pastor we enjoy the Record more than ever."—Mrs. J. A. Lyon, Treasurer, Heidelberg Church.

Estes Sends Another

Enlistment Pastor E. D. Estes is still at it. He recently sent in a nice Official Family list from North Union Church, Attala County and from Sand Hill Church, Attala County.

It Was Four and Not Two

In last week's Baptist Record in the Going Places column we stated that two of Pastor H. D. Hawkins churches were EVERY FAMILY churches. Had

we waited just one week to publish the article we could have said four of his churches are EVERY FAMILY churches.

A letter from him dated July 12 and received on July 15 states, "I am sending in another list for the Record. This gets them all. Yes siree! All four churches 100 per cent for our Baptist Record. The list he enclosed was for Mars Hill church, Leake County. His other churches are New Providence, Harmony, and Ebenezer.

Thus we add the name of H. D. Hawkins to our list of pastors who are members of our 100 per cent club.

Learned

We enjoyed a delightful week with Pastor R. A. Eddleman and the saints of Learned during their annual revival. We had the privilege of spending the nights in the home of Brother and Sister George Osborn. The people love Pastor Eddleman and Pastor Eddleman loves the people. Visible results were six additions. We trust there were other invisible results.

Hinds county Record readers are listed as follows: Beulah 1; BETHESDA 58; BYRAM 16; CLINTON 145; Edwards 2; CALVARY 855; PARKWAY 135; Davis Memorial 8; NORTH SIDE 104; VAN WINKLE 89; GRIFFITH 264; Jackson First 216; SOUTHSIDE 44; LEARNED 15; Oakley 1; Old Men's Home 2; POCAHONTAS 21; Daniels 14; Chapel Hill 2; Bolton 5; RAYMOND 60; SALEM 34; Siwell 5; TERRY 73; Utica 21; Dixon 1; PALESTINE 10; MT. MORGAN 10; NEW HAVEN 15.

The Record Does Help

Pastor H. D. Hawkins writes that "Ebenezer has completed its payment on the Now Club, Mars Hill and New Providence will pay out in a few weeks and Harmony expects to reach the goal by fall. All four churches are working through the Cooperative Program."

All of these churches are EVERY FAMILY churches. The Baptist Record does help.

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Chester M. Savage

Called and Accepted

A. C. Gettys, Bryan, Texas.
Vernon Wheelless, Itaska, Texas.
Dr. J. W. Cammack, Oakwood Ave., Richmond, Va.
C. E. Hanan, Fulton, Mo.
Lawrence Ray, Lockwood, Mo.
J. C. Hill, E. Norwood, Birmingham, Ala.
Ora Short, Caddo Mills, Texas.
F. W. King, Tarpley, Texas.
R. W. Langham, Hemphill, Texas.
J. W. Joiner, Llano, Texas.
C. B. Atkinson, Erlanger, Lexington, N. C.
G. Norman Price, Indianola, Miss.
T. R. Coulter, Valence St., New Orleans, La.

Resigned

Vernon Wheelless, Sour Lake, Texas.
J. A. Musgrave, McKinley Ave., Harrisburg, Ill.
C. E. Hanan, Kirkwood, Mo.
Lawrence Ray, Washington, Mo.
Dr. A. J. Lee, Rolla, Mo.
J. C. Hill, Marble, Ala.
Ora Short, Winfield, Texas.
T. L. Alexander, Brighton, Tenn.
R. W. Langham, Goodrich, Texas.
J. W. Joiner, La Marque, Texas.
W. A. Green, Waynesboro, Miss.
T. R. Coulter, Richton, Miss.

"DEBTS AWAY!"

When we came to this position February 1, 1939, we found Education Commission Bonds outstanding in the amount of \$542,100.00 according to the auditor's report of that year.

Mississippi Baptists — young and old — ministers and laymen — from all sections of the state, with some from beyond the border of the state, have made tremendous inroads upon this bonded indebtedness.

We now give you the 1939 audit picture of outstanding bonds:

1939 AUDIT

Maturity	Numbers	Denomination	Amount
12-1-43	1-10	\$1,000.00	\$10,000.00
12-1-44	11-20	1,000.00	10,000.00
12-1-45	21-30	1,000.00	10,000.00
12-1-46	31-40	1,000.00	10,000.00
12-1-47	41-50	1,000.00	10,000.00
12-1-36	74	500.00	500.00
12-1-39	191	500.00	500.00
12-1-42	328-334	500.00	3,500.00
12-1-43	354-364-		
	365-366	1,000.00	4,000.00
12-1-44	378-388 to 391	1,000.00	5,000.00
12-1-45	402-409-		
	410-411	1,000.00	4,000.00
12-1-46	426-440 to 444	1,000.00	6,000.00
12-1-46	455 BCDE	100.00	400.00
12-1-46	456 C & D	100.00	200.00
12-1-47	466-482 to 487	1,000.00	7,000.00
12-1-39	21 to 40	500.00	10,000.00
12-1-40	41 to 60	500.00	10,000.00
12-1-41	61 to 80	500.00	10,000.00
12-1-42	81 to 100	500.00	10,000.00
12-1-43	111 to 115	1,000.00	5,000.00
12-1-44	126 to 130	1,000.00	5,000.00
12-1-45	141 to 145	1,000.00	5,000.00
12-1-46	156 to 160	1,000.00	5,000.00
12-1-47	171 to 175	1,000.00	5,000.00
12-1-48	176 to 235	500.00	30,000.00
12-1-48	236 to 282	500.00	23,500.00
12-1-49	283 to 295	500.00	6,500.00
12-1-50	296 to 339	500.00	22,000.00
12-1-50	340 to 345	500.00	3,000.00
21-1-50	356 to 416-434	500.00	31,000.00
12-1-51	436 to 494-515	500.00	30,000.00
12-1-53	516 to 587	500.00	36,000.00
12-1-53	588-589 to 595	500.00	4,000.00
12-1-54	596 to 647	1,000.00	52,000.00
12-1-54	648	500.00	500.00
12-1-55	649-700	1,000.00	52,000.00
12-1-55	701	500.00	500.00
12-1-56	702-753	1,000.00	52,000.00
12-1-56	754	500.00	500.00
12-1-57	755-806	1,000.00	52,000.00
12-1-57	807	500.00	500.00
TOTAL			\$542,100.00

All bonds save the following have been taken up, or called:

1955 — \$52,500
1956 — 51,500
1957 — 52,500

When shall we call these remaining bonds?

ANSWER: As soon as we have money in hand, or in sight!

"DEBTS AWAY!"

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DISTRICT WINNERS

We do not have space to list every one who took part in the drills, we did recognize each one by awarding them a certificate. We are glad here to give the names of those who were declared winners of first place in each case. All who took part were great and near perfect, but these, in the judgment of the judges were just a little better in some way. We congratulate both member and leader.

Winners in the District Contests:

(Continued from Last Week)

District Eleven

Story Hour:

First place—John Senter Compere, 15th Ave., Meridian.

Junior:

Perfect—Sybil Windham, 15th Ave. church, Meridian.

Intermediates:

First place—Beverley Hodges, Oak Grove, Meridian. Second place—Auburn Bethany, Shuqualak.

Young People:

First place—William Louis Nobles, Highland church, Meridian.

District Twelve

Story Hour:

First place, tie—Mary Sue Boutwell, West Laurel; Evelyn Robbins, Ellisville.

Junior:

Perfect—Mary Dean Davis, Summerland.

Intermediates:

First place—Betty Sue Holley, West Laurel. Second place—Eva Rae Bishop, West Laurel.

Young People:

First place—Virginia Lee Burnham, Ellisville.

District Thirteen

Story Hour:

First place—Eddie Lee Carnes, First church, Biloxi.

Junior:

Perfect—Janet Landrum, First church, Hattiesburg.

Intermediate:

First place—Eugene Stockstill, First church, Hattiesburg. Second place—Helen McSween, First church, Picayune.

Young People:

First place—George Massey, Macedonia.

District Fourteen

Story Hour:

First place—Peggy Joyce McPhail, Carson.

Junior:

Perfect—Mary Ruth Magee, Crystal Springs; Mary Virginia Hartzog, Prentiss; David Strebeck, Salem; Barbara Ann Huff, Salem; Sara Lou Griffith, Old Hebron.

Intermediate:

First place—Inez Cantwell, Tyler-town. Second place—Mary Alice Byrd, Crystal Springs.

Young People:

First place, tie—Alene Ellzey, Salem (Waltham Assn.); Leola Harrey, Carson.

District Fifteen

Story Hour:

First place—James Edwin Powell, East McComb.

Junior:

Perfect—Nadine Moak, Mt. Pleasant; Maxine Miller, Fernwood;

Billy Taylor, Fernwood; June Flowers, First church, McComb; Mattie Jane Gardner, First church McComb.

Intermediate:

First place—Joe Taylor Moak, Mt. Pleasant. Second place—Mazie Moak, Mt. Pleasant.

Young People:

First place—Donald Newton, Heuck's Retreat.

Lebanon Holds Quarterly Meeting With 5th Ave. Church, Hattiesburg

On Monday night, July 5th, 251 individuals came to the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church in Hattiesburg to attend the regular quarterly meeting of the Associational B. T. U. There were fifteen churches represented, and most of them had a goodly number in attendance. Seven pastors were present, eleven Training Union directors, and eighty officers both of individual unions and general. A most interesting program was rendered by representatives from different churches. The song service was led by Mr. Herbert Batson, B. T. U. director of the Lumberton Church. Mr. Batson also sang a solo.

The welcome came from Pastor Rouse of 5th Ave. Church. Attention was called to the "dressing up" of the church for the occasion. All the interior of the building had been painted and put into first class condition, and lent much to the spirit of the meeting. Mrs. P. E. Slade brought a very timely message using as her subject "An S. O. S. For Intermediates." "Alcohol Weakens the War Effort" was the subject of another splendid talk given by a representative of Immanuel Baptist Church. A duet by two young ladies from Petal-Harvey church was an attractive feature of the program as was an ensemble by the preachers present who were assisted by a few others with golden voices such as your State B. T. U. Secretary. The closing inspirational message was by Rev. J. H. Cothen. As a part of the business session plans were made for a number of the Lebanon Associational folk to go to Ridgecrest for the second week of the Training Union Assembly. A short discussion was also had of the proposed Enlargement Campaign the association is to have beginning the last Sunday in September. Twenty or more churches are expected to cooperate in this campaign, when fifty or more outside workers will be brought in to help with the work.

Three beautiful banners were awarded, and all three went to Providence Church. They were for Attendance—Providence had over fifty present—mileage, and efficiency. This good church traveled more than a thousand miles, round trip, and had an average grade for the Training Union for the quarter of 84. Fourteen of the fifteen churches brought their quarterly report to the meeting. Director McInnis, after checking these and marking his record will pass them on to the state B. T. U. office.

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The man who falls down gets up a lot quicker than the man who lies down.

"If Ye Love Me . . ."



Two children nearing starvation on the Kwangtung famine field in South China, where Miss Margie Shumate is directing famine relief. The picture was taken in front of the house where a Soup Kitchen is operated, at which more than a thousand receive daily one meal of rice and bean gruel, only enough to save them from starvation. These two children, with hundreds of others, have come asking that they, too, be given tickets for soup; but they have to be denied. The boy standing is representative of the many children that are begging. The one that is sitting has gone beyond the skinny stage. His legs and face have begun to swell, which means he will die from starvation in a short while.



This little fellow was like the child shown standing in the other picture until taken into one of the Homes for Children by Miss Margie Shumate. His mother could not bear to see him starve, so left him at home to die. The father had gone to the army. The mother went away into the mountains to sell herself to some family for food, or to starve without seeing her child suffer the same fate. Someone found the little fellow in the house crying and brought him to Miss Shumate. She was able to take him into one of the homes. Note his condition after six months there.

These children have Christian teaching daily and Christian services on Sunday.

TO THE HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH

In a letter just received from China, Dr. R. E. Beddoe writes: "Last night twenty war orphans came here from Margie Shumate's field. Six of them were immediately admitted to the hospital, as they were too sick to proceed across the city to the orphanage. Mrs. Beddoe and I, returning from a service, found these children huddled around their baggage at the hospital entrance, eating rice congee. The girls of our Bible school, seeing the little children were very hungry, had divided their meager allowance and were encircling them, enjoying watching the avid consumption of the food."

"This morning Mr. Wong, one of Margie's country preachers, who brought the children up, called me at my office. Wong is American educated. But oh, if you could have seen his frayed trousers, his grass sandals, his coat, yellow with age, his ancient felt hat, and his emaciated face, you would, like me, have felt your heart melt within you. With never a word of complaint this saint of God with beaming face, spoke gently of the grace of God and our blessed hope of the speedy return! Humble in the grace of God and position he is victor over poverty and circumstances and scintillates with a glory which is not human. As we talked, a phrase raced through my mind: 'and especially to the household of faith'."

"Brethren, I say to you, we must take care of these preachers."

Toi Shan, Kwantung

Dear Dr. Maddry:

Please send me all possible relief funds. Famine conditions are spreading until additional counties are in great distress. Hundreds of Christians are in great distress. Funds are not sufficient for starving Christians. Church committee's help reaches only a few places of the scores of places where relief of Christians is imperative. Shiu Hing and Sun Hing fields also in great need. Famine prices on food prevail. Many, many starving and conditions getting worse every day. It breaks my heart.

MARGIE SHUMATE.

Send all Relief Funds to:

Dr. Charles E. Maddry, Secretary,
Foreign Mission Board
Box 1595
Richmond, 13, Virginia

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary



Summer Workers

We are happy to present in the above picture most of the extra workers that we are using this summer to help in Sunday School and Vacation Bible School promotion in a number of associations and churches in the state. It was not possible for some of them to be present for the clinic when this picture was made.

These are, left to right, top row: Misses Kathleen Everett, Forest; Katherine Jones, Pelahatchie; Ruby Evans, Sontag. Middle row, left to right: Misses Mary Frances Smith, Purvis; Juanita Baker, Louisville; Nelwyn Nesmith, Yazoo City; Camille Holman, Louisville; Flora McCullough, Columbia. Front row, left to right: Misses Inez Milner, Forest; Elaine Caldwell, State College; Mamie Booth, Mathiston; Shirley Jackson, Natchez; Clarice Conner, Cleveland.

Other workers who are not in the above picture are: Misses Frances Berry, Crowder; Gladys Bryant, Mosselle; Eleanor Hollowell, Lexington; Willodean McDonnial, Summerland, and Camille Shirley, Louin.

These workers are giving a noble account of themselves in the work of the summer and will be a blessing to many people and many churches in both training courses and Vacation Bible Schools.

Two New Books

The Sunday School Board has just informed us of the release on August 1 of two new books in the Sunday School training course. They are: **THE IMPROVEMENT OF TEACHING IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL**, by Gaines S. Dobbins, and **SOUL WINNING DOCTRINES**, by J. Clyde Turner.

A copy of these books will be given to the pastor, or other approved workers, who will teach a class in the book to members of the church and Sunday School. A copy may be secured from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, when the books are purchased for class use.

Standards

We are happy to have on our list of 1943 standard schools that of Mountain Creek church, Rankin county,

Rev. H. A. Milner, pastor, Olif T. Matthews, superintendent.

This is the first time in the history of that fine church that the Sunday School has been standard. And, it is the only standard Sunday School at this time in Rankin county.

Some time ago in conversation with the superintendent, we soon discovered his determination to reach this highly desirable goal for his school this year. Nothing succeeds like success, we have been told. They have succeeded. Heartiest congratulations!

We are also indeed happy to list among our standard Adult classes that of the Philathea, 15th Avenue, Meridian, Mrs. Ernest D. Brookshire, teacher. This is also a new record for them, and we rejoice with them in it. Congratulations!

We also have these two fine Intermediate classes from Utica that have joined our 1943 standard ranks: Valiant Knights, G. W. Simmons, teacher; Life Savers, Mrs. G. W. Simmons, teacher.

We are happy to add them to our fine list of such standards already and thank them for the good work, and extend to these workers and leaders, one and all, our sincerest congratulations.

Never have we had as many standard units as now. Every week sees them come. They come from country churches, village churches, town churches, city churches. The second largest Sunday School in the state is on our standard list. We also have one with only 69 members. Yes, it is a program for all, no matter where the location, and it will help all. Try it.

—BR—

For Red Cross buttons, 670 milligrams of metal is used in each one. In 1943 the Red Cross used paper tabs, thus saving 52 tons of metal, it is reported, enough to build one medium sized tank plus eight jeeps. But for beer bottle caps, 2,896 milligrams of metal is used in each one. Approximately 3/5ths of the 63 million barrels of beer consumed in 1942 was sold in bottles, using many thousands of tons of metal needed for the war effort.

THE COMMON ENEMY NUMBER ONE

Intoxicating liquor is enemy number one to all peoples and to all nations. It has done the United States more harm than any other enemy—more than the Japanese and Germans will ever do. We have a way of forgetting liquor's misdeeds. If we kept its inhumanity to man in mind more we might do more about it.

If the super artist could paint us a picture of the highway of life and were to hold it up to us, we would be astounded at the things we have forgotten. We would see in that picture, (if wrecked homes and walking life failures didn't crowd everything else off, or if motherly and wifely tears did not submerge the entire picture) youth in its tender years, hungry and ill-clad, sitting upon the doorstep at a late hour watching for dad's return home. We would see the citizen who had lost his liberty, his freedom, looking through prison bars. We would see the citizen who had been brought before the court as a witness, as he sits upon the witness stand and perjures himself and gives false testimony.

We would see in this picture of the highway of life of this modern day an effeminate world drinking alcoholic beverage as was never known before. In a former day feminine influence was a restraining one to the masculine sex. We would see countless thousands of physical combats among men while in drunken rages.

We would see two brothers as they battle to death with knives. (That has happened in the community where the writer lives.) We would see the older brother as he comes into the home, late at night, in a drunken stupor, and gets into a fight with a hard-working younger brother who is the support of the widowed mother and two sisters, and shoots him to death in their presence. (That, too, happened here in this community.) We would see father and son as they stand in the yard shoot each other to death. (That happened in a neighboring state.) We would see a disease-ridden world where hospitals are filled to overflowing, and there is no more room in the insane asylums, and where the potter's field is crowded. We would see an automobile wreck where a drunken driver struck a car and almost wiped out an entire family of the best citizens. We would see youth being deceived into the first drink and led away from the road to a successful and useful life into one of debauchery and failure.

We would see in this super picture of the highway of life, the liquor structure, occupying an eminence by the side of the highway. This is the most powerful structure in all the world that has no foundation whatever on which to stand. Proceeding from this over gilded avenues that contact the highway everywhere, we would see envoys representing the bootlegger; the so-called legalized liquor store; the daily newspaper and magazine with their liquor ads that are seeking continuously to induce the general public to drink more liquor.

We would see proceeding from this liquor structure the ever sovereign state with its cargo of whiskey which it passes out to its citizenry.

We would see two warm friends starting out on a day's journey ac-

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It is a Grand Canyon step from \$542,100 to \$156,500! But, Mississippi Baptists took it!

Now, we are out after that \$156,500 until it totals \$300,000.

Then, what a GRAND DOXOLOGY!

—BR—

BUCATUNNA BAPTIST CHURCH

We know North Carolina produces some fine Baptists, being the former home of Rev. V. R. Meadows, who attended B. B. I. before locating in Wayne county. In the six months of his pastorate at Bucatunna our church has gone from fourth to half time preaching; has adopted the budget plan with gifts more than trebled; put **The Baptist Record** in every home; took religious census; had Crusade revival in March; revived a dead midweek prayer meeting conducted on the group plan with good interest and attendance; started choir practice which helps to hold our young people and greatly improves our song service; conducted a ten-day Vacation Bible school which had a good average attendance and did good work. Miss Bryant was a faithful worker sent by the State Board.

Plans are about complete for getting a new roof on our church.

Brother and Mrs. Meadows and little daughter, Phyllis, and two Wayne county girls, Miss Doris McCaskey and Miss Orpha Shoemaker, are on their way to North Carolina to spend a few days at Ridgecrest and a few days with relatives at the family home.

We are thankful God still works with those who earnestly seek His will.—Mrs. J. R. Copeland.

accompanied by a bottle of liquor. One kills the other before the day is over.

Intoxicating liquor is a thing of evil doing more harm than anything else in the world. If we were thoroughly strong we would have done something about it long ago. It is mistreating our friends and our fellowman daily and we resent it.—Albert Myers, Byhalia, Mississippi.

CHINA AND HER PEOPLE

Land of Canals

By T. W. Ayers, Retired Missionary

In previous articles we have seen China as a "Land of Graves" and a "Land of Walls"; and today we shall see her as a "Land of Canals" for she has two hundred and twenty-five thousand miles of canals. The great-



est of all these is the Grand Canal.

This is the greatest artificial waterway in the world, being one thousand miles long, and is one of the most useful of China's internal improvements. This canal connects Hongchow

DR. T. W. AYERS in Central China with Teintsin, in North China, and unites the Yangtse and Yellow Rivers. It provides parking space for thousands of house boats.

The construction of the Grand Canal was commenced in the Sixth Century, B. C., but was not completed until the close of the Thirteenth Century, A. D. As was the case in the Great Wall, every day that Jesus was here among men they were working on the Grand Canal. After two thousand years this canal is in constant use.

China has a coast line of about five thousand miles, which gives her the same problem that America has in defending such a long water line.

Among her many rivers she has two really great ones. The Yellow River is twenty-seven hundred miles long and drains the northern provinces. It is known as "China's Sorrow" because it so frequently overflows its banks and causes great destruction of growing crops and of property.

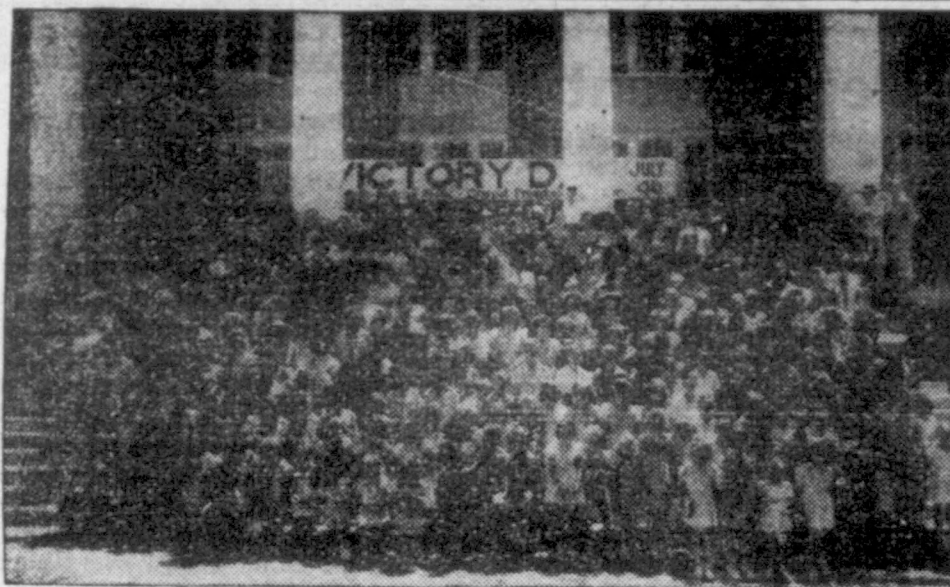
The other great river is the Yangtse. It crosses Central China from East to West for thirty-two hundred miles. It is one of the great rivers of the world, being navigable for over fifteen hundred miles. It is known as "China's Spinal Cord."

It is on this river that the world has watched with interest for the past few years the activities of the American, British and Japanese war vessels.

Land of Villages

There are no country homes in China, as we have them here in America. All the people, including the farmers, live either in cities or villages. Eighty-five per cent of China's more than four hundred million people are farmers, and these farmers live in villages. So one can readily see that it requires many, many villages to house these teeming millions of farmers together with the mechanics, merchants and teachers.

In traveling through China you enter a new village every few miles. In the county where I lived in China, a county with six hundred square miles, thirty miles one way and twenty miles the other, making it about the size of the average county in Georgia, there are nine hundred and forty villages and one city. The city has a population of one hundred thousand, and the villages range from one hundred to twenty thousand each. This small county has a population of half



VICTORY DAY AT FIFTEENTH AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH, MERIDIAN, MISS.

Several Records Broken
By Pastor W. L. Compere

When we first noticed that the Fourth of July would be on Sunday this year our first thought was that the work in our church would be at a low ebb that day—the people would have a holiday on Monday, and many of them would have plans that would take them out of town on the weekend. Then the thought came that this coincidence of the Fourth falling on Sunday could be a blessing, rather than a hindrance.

We designated July 4 as "Victory

Day" in the Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church, and made special plans for the day. It turned out to be one of the greatest days in all the history of the church. We dedicated our Service Flag at the morning service, with the auditorium filled to capacity—both main floor and balcony. In the evening service we had a 60-voice men's choir and a large congregation. In this service we read some special messages from our men in service, which were written for this occasion.

Our Sunday school reached its goal of 550 in attendance, which was the largest attendance in fifteen years. While the Training Union did not reach its goal, the attendance was 109, which was a record attendance. The regular offering for the day was \$517.58, which was also a record. Many workers had done some splendid work during the week preceding, and their work bore fruit. The spirit of all the services was wonderful. We feel that we shall see some permanent values from this big day, which proved to be truly a "Victory Day."

a million, or an average of eight hundred and thirty-three persons to each square mile, while here in the United States we have only thirty-five persons to the square mile. The population in this county, however, is more dense than in the average county in China, as China Proper has two hundred and fifty people to the square mile. The density here is due largely to the fact that this county is located in a rich fertile valley, where farming is profitable.

Five years ago many of these cities had a population of more than a hundred thousand, and at least two of them had more than a million. But since then men, women and children in many of these cities, as well as in the villages, have been driven from their homes by bombs dropped from Japanese planes until there has been in China the greatest migration in the world. At least sixty million of these people have had to flee from their homes, giving up all their earthly possessions. The more fortunate ones found their way to Free China, in the great western part of the country. But the great majority of them, after giving up all they had, were not financially able to make the long trip to Free China, and today are in refugee camps, depending upon one bowl of soup per day to keep them from starving, and this is given to them by money sent from generous and compassionate people in the United States of America. Many of these cities and villages today are known as "Ghost Cities and Villages", for the people who formerly occupied them are gone.

—BR—

B. S. Hilbun, State Evangelist, recently sent in two nice EVERY FAMILY lists from Jackson County. These churches are Bel Fontaine and Fort Bayou. H. D. Walker is pastor of both churches.

KNOW YOUR BIBLE

QUIZ QUESTIONS FOR TEACHER AND CLASS

1. Would you find the quotation, "For fools rush in where angels fear to tread" in the Bible, and if so, where?

2. What was the name of the first family burying place, and the names of those buried there?

3. What do the names Jachin and Boaz, in I Kings, 7: verse 21 mean?

4. Joseph was cast into a pit, (Genesis, 37:20). There were many pits (wells) in Dothan, but the one in which Joseph was cast was later given a name. What was the name?

(Correct answers on Page 15.)

"To Read or Not to Read," is the subject of a worthwhile article in the August issue of the Sunday School Builder. The author is Dr. James A. Stewart, pastor, Clarksdale Baptist Church.

We recently received a nice club list of subscriptions from Midway Church, Meridian. This list was sent in by R. N. Reeves.

—BR—

Someone wants to know why, if nature never blunders, did she make prunes more healthful than strawberries, and why didn't she make the mosquito a vegetarian with a yen for spinach?—Exchange.

—BR—

Things are never as bad as they might be. For instance, how would you like to be a parent of one of those Quiz Kids, and have him asking questions?



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BAPTISTS, WAKE UP

It is gloriously inspiring to meditate upon the lofty ideals, principles, and methods of Christian education—the teaching of Christ's way to our young. It is a much more difficult and a much less inspiring matter to apply effectively these ideals, principles, and methods to the actual situation in which we today find ourselves.

1. Our Baptist schools have done a magnificent work in the development of Christian leaders. These leaders have been trained in matters which Baptists hold to be sacred and which we desire to preserve in and for our posterity. Into the training of these Christian leaders we have put our money, our time, and our prayers. Today these TRAINED Christian leaders represent OUR INVESTMENT in Christian citizenship and in the Kingdom's program. The dividends which we shall realize from that investment depend upon the opportunities these leaders have for service and the faithfulness with which they perform that service. We should therefore thrust them forward, supporting them with our confidence and prayers.

2. The vast majority of our boys and girls attend our state-owned institutions of higher learning. Therefore, if Christian education is to succeed to the end that we shall have a Christian citizenship in Mississippi, these ideals must be woven into the purposes and activities of our state institutions. Do we want a condition where so-called "modernism" shall compromise the religious convictions of our youth? Do we want these schools to become harbors for "theories and philosophies" detrimental to the "Way of Life"? Do we want teachers who laugh at the church, scorn religion, and even deny the Divinity of Christ? Do we want our youth disciplined in the morals of our country or do we desire that they shall be "put on their own" without the protection of a single regulation enforced on the campus? Really, do we appreciate an academic degree achieved at the cost of a shriveled soul and a distorted mind concerning eternal values?

3. Who is responsible? What is the practical point of attack? The governor of the state appoints a Board of Control for the Institutions of Higher Learning. Within the limits of the laws of the state and within the limitations set by the policies, standards, and regulations of national and regional educational accrediting agencies, this Board of Control defines the purposes, formulates the policies, adopts the curricula, elects the teachers, directs the activities, and measures the progress of these state institutions. All of which constitute such a complex system of forces and influences that the students themselves are unable to challenge it and THEREFORE OUR YOUTH BECOMES THE VICTIM OF AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM—BE



Chalybeate Baptist Church and Pastor Roy M. Lewis. They will celebrate their 100th Anniversary Sunday, July 25. See article in the July 8 issue of the Record.

IT GOOD OR BAD.

Under the constitutional amendment recently approved by the people of Mississippi, the NEXT governor will appoint this Board of Control. After that the said Board will become more or less self-perpetuating. That means that THE NEXT GOVERNOR WILL CONTROL HIGHER EDUCATION IN MISSISSIPPI FOR THE NEXT EIGHT YEARS. His direct influence over the same will extend over a period of perhaps TWENTY years.

Is it not therefore of the utmost importance that the NEXT governor shall be soundly Christian, trained in the principles thereof, and in accord with the idea of making these state institutions Christian citizenship? Is it not reasonable to expect that such a governor will appoint ONLY men and women with a similar purpose to membership on this Board of Control?

4. The local community no longer has the responsibility of fashioning its own school's policies and program. Much of that responsibility has now been transferred to the state. Today the state supplies every child with textbooks for which most citizens are thankful. The governor appoints a Textbook Commission which together with the state superintendent of education select the books which our children shall use from Primer through High School. Is it not important that the plastic minds of our children be shielded and protected from unchristian teachings which may so easily be crouched into a textbook? Is it not logical to assume that this protection can best be assured by the selection of a commission composed of thoroughly Christian men and women? Is it not logical to assume that such a commission can best be assured if appointed by a governor who is himself a TRAINED Christian leader? For this type of governor is it not logical for us to select a man in whom we have "invested"?

5. We have long believed in the separation of church and state—and may we continue to have the privilege so to believe. But if the state is to be preserved in the form in which it was established by our forefathers and is now being defended by the spilled blood of our youth, then Christianity MUST TODAY ASSERT ITSELF. Christian ideals, principles, and methods must again be woven into

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR PERKINSTON JR. COLLEGE B. S. U.

Perkinston B. S. U., one of the youngest in the state, made unusual progress during the regular 1942-43 session, with James Brent of Biloxi serving as president. Lucille Roberts of Lucedale was chosen president for the coming regular session and was sent to Ridgecrest for B. S. U. Retreat.

Recently a meeting was called by the local pastor, Brother G. G. Mooney for the purpose of organizing for the Summer Session. The following officers were elected:

President: Bill May; 1st Vice President: Ruby Lee Stegall, Centerville; 2nd Vice-President: Frances Alderman, Magee; 3rd Vice-President: Elizabeth Anne Batson, Pensacola, Fla.; Secretary: Nella Ruth Batson, Wiggins; Treasurer: Gloria D'Olive, Perkinston; Publicity Director: David Morgan, Biloxi; Song Leader: Evern Malone, Lucedale; Pian-

the vitals of our political life and Christian character must be made the objective of educational effort. To accomplish this great task we must seek out our TRAINED Christian leaders and place them in positions of responsibility. That is the practical point of attack—the time to attack is NOW. To lead us in this all important effort is it not expedient for us to select one who will carry out such policies? Baptists, wake up.—J. F. EVANS, 1820 Robinson Street, Jackson, Miss.

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR

August

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.
W. M. U. Young People's Organizations.
Assemblies and Camps.
Soul Winning—Brush Arbor, School House and Church.
Cooperative Program Causes.
Now Club Emphasis.
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.
Sunbeam Focus Week, August 8-13.
Check on Denominational Periodicals.
Check Standard of Excellence.
Special Summer Work.
Vacation Bible School.
Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.

ist: Dora Mae Seymour, Ocean Springs; Professor W. G. Gregory serves as faculty advisor.

In addition to the regular representatives from the various Sunday School classes, B. Y. P. U.'s, Youth Fellowship, etc., Helen Kornman and Lynn Fairley, both of Biloxi, were elected dormitory representatives to serve on the council along with the others.

The enlistment vice-president reports that approximately 37 per cent of the entire student body is enrolled in one of the unit organizations.

—David Morgan, Reporter.

—BR—

From the Biblical Recorder, we learn that Secretary Huggins and North Carolina Baptists are making plans to retire the North Carolina debt by the State Convention in 1944. We are glad to know that other states are paying out and making plans to pay out just as Mississippi is doing.

—BR—

"Steer clear of wines and beer!"

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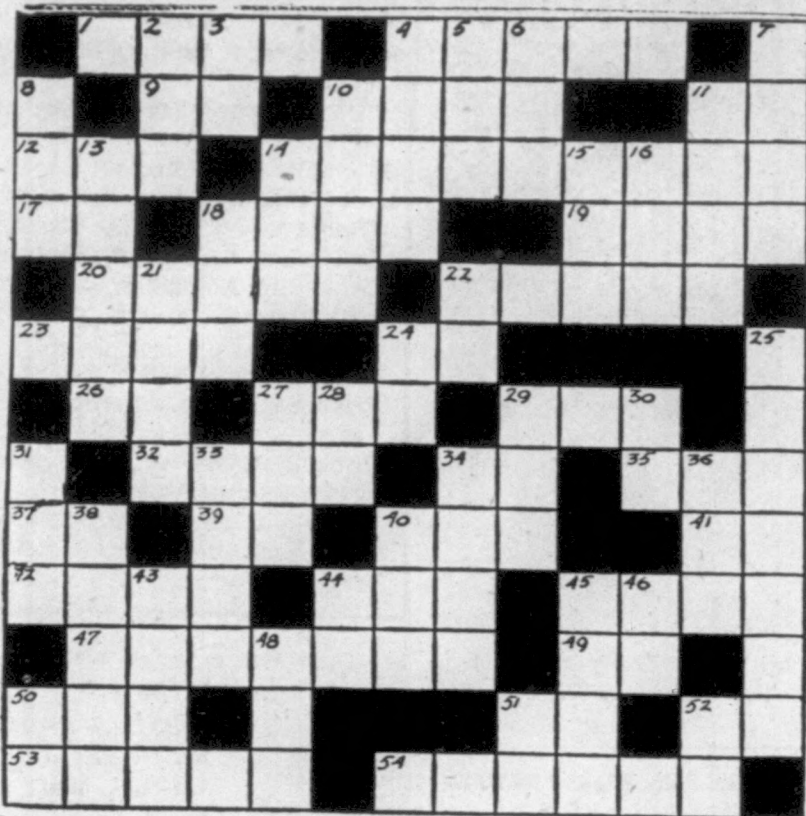
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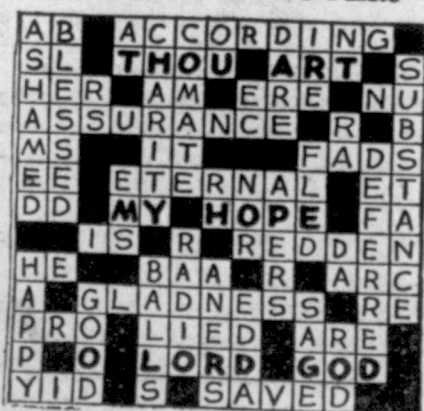
OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people."—Prov. 14:34.

- ACROSS**
- 1 "And . . . shall he send his angels," Mark 13:27.
 - 4 "Thy people also . . . be all righteous," Isa. 60:21.
 - 9 "righteous also shall hold . . . his way," Job 17:9.
 - 10 Ancient European country.
 - 11 Japanese measure of distance.
 - 12 "righteous cry, and . . . Lord hear-eth," Ps. 34:17.
 - 14 "there is a reward for the . . ." Ps. 58:11.
 - 17 "statutes, and judgments . . . righteous as," Deut. 4:8.
 - 18 "yet . . . I not seen the righteous forsaken," Ps. 37:25.
 - 19 Trick.
 - 20 "Let your light so . . ." Matt. 5:16.
 - 22 "From that time . . . began," Matt. 16:21.
 - 23 Afternoon socials.
 - 24 West Australia.
 - 26 " . . . righteousness tendeth to life," Prov. 11:19.
 - 27 "In . . . way of righteousness is life," Prov. 12:28.
 - 29 "one glory of the . . ." I Cor. 15:41.
 - 32 "fruits of the righteous is a . . . of life," Prov. 11:30.
 - 34 Tellurium.
 - 35 "to cleanse us from . . . unrighteousness," I John 1:9.
 - 37 Musical work.
 - 39 "righteous shall be glad . . . the Lord," Ps. 64:10.
 - 40 "righteousness of . . . upright," Prov. 11:6.
 - 41 All correct.
 - 42 Blot out.
 - 44 "done what . . . could," Mark 14:8.
 - 45 "liars; and they shall . . ." Jer. 50:36.
 - 47 "inherit the . . . prepared for you," Matt. 25:34.
 - 49 "light . . . the righteous rejoiceth," Prov. 13:9.
 - 50 Foolish person.
 - 51 "righteous shall see . . . and rejoice," Ps. 107:42.
- RIGHTEOUSNESS**
- 52 " . . . sinful nation," Isa. 1:4.
 - 53 "own souls by . . . righteousness," Ezek. 14:14.
 - 54 "Of righteousness, because I go to my . . ." John 16:10.
- DOWN**
- 2 Garden tool.
 - 3 Half an em.
 - 4 Wise.
 - 5 What did you say?
 - 6 Altitude.
 - 7 "the righteous, and the . . . Eccl. 9:1.
 - 8 It is (cont.).
 - 10 "the righteous shall . . . thanks," Ps. 140:13.
 - 11 "nations shall . . . like the rushing of many waters," Isa. 17:13.
 - 13 A minor prophet.
 - 14 "water . . . round about the altar," I Kings 18:35.
 - 15 "do . . . not knowing the scriptures," Matt. 22:29.
 - 16 "gone . . . of my mouth in righteousness," Isa. 45:23.
 - 18 "and . . . righteousness endureth forever," Ps. 112:3.
 - 21 "thou . . . the words of eternal life," John 6:68.
 - 22 Fourth note in scale.
 - 24 "that . . . might be made the righteousness of God," II Cor. 5:21.
 - 25 "He that . . . righteously," Isa. 33:15.
 - 27 "Were there not . . . cleansed," Luke 17:17.
 - 28 "and . . . that doeth righteousness," Ps. 106:3.
 - 29 "righteous also shall . . . and fear," Ps. 52:6.
 - 30 Western continent.
 - 31 "thy . . . and thy staff," Ps. 23:4.
 - 33 Nothing (Fr.).
 - 34 "righteous be glad, let . . . rejoice," Ps. 68:3.
 - 36 "Cast in thy among us," Prov. 1:14.
 - 38 Son of Remaliah, II Kings 16:1.
 - 40 However (simplified spelling).
 - 43 "but the righteous into . . . eternal," Matt. 25:46.
 - 44 State in U. S.
 - 45 Third person singular of do.
 - 46 "in the paths of . . . righteousness," Ps. 23:3.
 - 48 Kind of fish.
 - 50 Old Testament.
 - 51 "When . . . goeth well with the righteous," Prov. 11:10.
 - 52 Capital of Moab, Num. 21:28.

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→ GRAY'S OINTMENT

W. A. (SLICK) GREEN ENTERING
EVANGELISTIC FIELD
Sends Personal Message to Friends

I have resigned as pastor at Waynesboro. Evangelist is what I hope my title will be till the Lord says it is enough. I began my work as an evangelist the first of this month with Rev. V. W. Malley and his good people in the Oloh community. The Lord gave us 27 additions, most of whom were grown people in that one week, leading us to know that He has blessed the first efforts of this new undertaking to His glory.

Holding on an average of 15 meetings a year and at the same time pastoring a full time church during my ministry, was too much work for one man. So from this day on I am going up and down this land and tell the greatest and most glorious story that God has ever given to people—SALVATION BY GRACE.

For the present, I am making my home in Waynesboro, having bought a home there. I have it all figured out that the part of each preacher that I know is \$100.00. The first one I told what his part was didn't look like he much wanted to pay it. You boys "just as well dig it up," if not, I will have to come and live it out with you, one at a time. (I will bring my "pints.")

The First Baptist Church of Waynesboro has in it some of the salt of the earth. The church has been built and paid for. The pastor's home is one of the best in the state. No debt there. Old paving debt all paid. Beer and slot machines gone. The Sunday school has been standard for several years. Loyal, faithful folks at work in it.

This week I am down in Alabama with Martin Gilbert and his fine people. Had seven additions the first day. I have only one Sunday in August open from now until September. If God leads you to invite me to come for a meeting, I will come. If He doesn't—don't "monkey" with me. But I do want the prayers of every child of God in this new field.

—W. A. Green.
—BR—
THE WASTE OF FRICTION

We recently heard Mr. R. G. Le-Tourneau make a statement that will linger long in our mind. He said that in one of the machines in his plant the friction had been greatly reduced and as a consequence the machine now did the same amount of work but required only one-fifteenth as much power as before.

The statement startled and stimulated us. For we realized that what is true of machinery is true of man. How many churches have been slowed down because of friction. Friction between metals is bad. Friction between men is worse and friction between man and God is worst.

Churches plug along doing small caliber work when eliminating friction would largely increase their accomplishments.

Two consecrated Christians often let some little thing cause friction and then their Christian lives lose power and their church loses influence and some soul staggers on toward hell because of friction.

—BR—
A diplomat is a man who can make his wife believe she would look fat in a fur coat.

HE DIED FOR US

Awake, ye sinners, God gave His only Son
To whomsoever believes—to each and every one.
And Jesus died upon the cross for you and me,
He gave His Life, so that Christians we might be

Arise, ye sinners, tomorrow may be too late,
Stop drinking, stop cursing, and do not wait—
Stop gambling and living in temptation and sin,
Without our Christ Jesus, one cannot win.

Repent, change from evil, and be born again,
Put your heart in God's trusting hand.
He will surely guide you through every trial,
Pray and trust in our Lord all the while.

Go forth, ye Christians, throughout the world
Carry the banner for Christ from birth to burial.
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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Hight C. Moore

Lesson for July 25, 1943 BIBLE TEACHINGS ON THE COST OF DRINKING

Deuteronomy 21:18-21; Proverbs 23:20-21; I Corinthians 6:9-11

What does the Bible teach as to the cost of intemperance? In the passages before us three inspired writers give answer. Moses, the lawgiver, defines the cost in the home where profligacy causes rebellion. Solomon, the wise man, denounces the cost in society where revelry causes pauperism. And Paul, the apostle, declares the cost in eternity where ruin is the token of punishment. What fearful cost!

Lesson Text and Outline

- I. Profligacy: The Cost in the Home (Deuteronomy 21).
- II. Pauperism: The Cost in Society (Proverbs 23).
- III. Punishment: The Cost in Eternity (I Corinthians 6).

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. Rebellion wrecks the home with profligacy. We note three points in a statute enacted by Moses: (1) **A Rebellious Son.** The boy has a good father and a good mother. They love him. They have brought him up right. They have taught him correctly. They have even chastened him and done everything in their power for him. But he is stubborn and rebellious. He will not obey his parents. He will not even hearken to them. He is utterly and basely profligate. He is a glutton and a drunkard. What can they, what shall they do? (2) **A Rigorous Law.** The heartbroken father and mother must bring such a son before the city fathers and there make public statement of his stubbornness and rebellion, his habitual drunkenness and gluttony. The authorities, also with whatever regret, must pass sentence upon the son and at once stone him to death. A swift retribution: Could it be salutary? (3) **A Respecting People.** "So shall thou put evil away from among you," writes the stern lawgiver. And he adds in reflection of a beneficial reaction among his people—"all Israel shall hear, and fear."

2. Revelry wrecks the social order with pauperism. Five parties are here sketched by Solomon: (1) **The Drinking Party.** "Be not among winebibbers" or parties of drinkers. Groups get together for the purpose of drinking intoxicants. So there is a crowd of tipsy men. (2) **The Dining Party.** Here is intemperance in eating. The party seeking only the gratification of appetite required a rare and varied flesh menu which was taken to excess. So we see a group of gluttons who stopped eating only when sick of surfeit. (3) **The Depraved Party.** See the drunkard and the glutton in the deep degradation and think of the height from which they reeled downward. (4) **The Delinquent Party.** The intemperate become speedily the incompetent. Drowsiness is a result of sottishness. The dissolute become delinquent. (5) **The Destitute Party.** The drunkard and the glutton soon come to poverty and want. "Reveling leaves men in rags."

3. Ruin is the woe of eternity with

its punishment. We find three duties stressed here by Paul: (1) **Inherit the Kingdom.** That is desirable above all things. The kingdom of God is "the kingdom of grace on earth and the kingdom of glory in heaven" (Pendleton). To inherit it is "to share in its present privileges and future blessings" (Dummelow). Who can inherit the kingdom? Not the unrighteous and the wicked! (2) **Be not deceived.** Make no mistake here. No fewer than ten classes of the unrighteous are here definitely listed and labeled: "None who are immoral, or idolaters, or adulterers, or catamites, or sodomites, or thieves, or avaricious men, or drunkards, or foul-mouthed men, or extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God" (Montgomery). But is there no hope? (3) **Wash yourselves.** As a matter of fact, the now consecrated Christians at Corinth were formerly debased denizens of the darkness. The great change had been wrought in their conversion. Through faith in the person and work of Christ and by the Spirit of God they had washed themselves and become morally cleansed. They were sanctified or set apart to God's service. They were justified or acquitted and accepted as righteous.

The Lesson of the Lesson What Price Must Be Paid?

(1) **What Price Pleasure?** Is any pleasure you want wholesome and worth while? Enjoy it. But does it cost in money and manhood more than you ought to pay? Then do without it!

(2) **What Price Appetite?** What do those delicious viands cost? and those luscious foods? More than you have money or means to buy? Then curb and control your appetite!

(3) **What Price Luxury?** Are those odorous perfumes to be bought for you at fabulous expense? Would anointing from costly alabaster boxes minister to your vanity? Count the cost!

(4) **What Price Drink?** First, see a socialite imbibe a cocktail at a banquet table; then see a sot reeling down an alley to fall into the gutter. That first sip of wine: what did it cost? Stop and calculate!

(5) **What Price Gluttony?** Glimpse the glutton who lives to eat rather than eats to live. Determine never to be a bloated gourmand and a parasite on society.

(6) **What Price Revelry?** The debauched and be-numbed reveler is awake when he should be asleep, and he sleeps when he should be awake and at work. Is he not a steep toboggan to poverty?

(7) **What Price Neglect?** How little worth is daintiest daily food if in taking it one ignores or spurns the Bread of Heaven! What utter refuse sparkles in the wine cup which diverts one from the Fountain of Living Waters! "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?"

Gold in the Golden Text

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? I Corinthians 6:9.

The unrighteous are those who are not righteous. And that means more than lack of conformity to the divine standard of the good. It involves the will to do wickedly, the decided inclination to iniquity, the determination to do wrong. It refuses the righteousness which God offers to impute and impart. It is satisfied



This is a picture of the services held for nurses of the Station Hospital at Keesler Field, Miss., by the army chaplain. Over 125 nurses attended this service and each was presented with a white New Testament by the chaplain. These Testaments are printed by the Gideons especially for the nurses corps. Chaplain Cole is a Southern Baptist from the state of Texas. He is very evangelistic and is doing a fine service at Keesler Field near Biloxi ministering to the military personnel.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH LIFE'S BURDENS?

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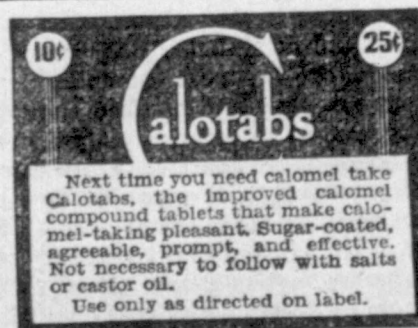
saw a disciple and an apostle. To Zaccheus, the tax gatherer, Jesus came and looked up and said, "Come down, for today I must abide at thy house." The crowd had shut Jesus out but Zaccheus received Him joyfully. A little girl was crossing the street one day with a pail of milk. She slipped and spilled the milk. A man standing nearby said, "Your mother will whip you now." The little girl stood there for a minute, then she said, "My mother is good, and she believes in giving me another chance." Jesus believes in giving people another chance, and we are to do likewise.

III

Then we are to cast our burdens on the Lord. We read in Psalms 55:22, "Cast thy burdens upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee." In the words of the old hymn, "We are to take our burdens to the Lord and leave them there." He does not always take our burdens away but He has promised to sustain us. Paul had a thorn in the flesh. Paul said he asked the Lord three times that He might take it away. The Lord did not see fit to take it away. He did say, "My grace is sufficient for thee." God is saying to Paul, "I will help you to bear it, and will use that as a means of making a bigger and more useful Christian out of you."

and saturated with sin.

The kingdom of God is, and must forever be, the kingdom of the good. In it the unrighteous who avoided and abhorred and antagonized it would not, could not, be at home and at rest for one single moment. They belong outside; and outside, of their own will first and finally of God's, they must remain forever!



Answers To Know Your Bible

Feature on Page Twelve.

1. ("Fools rush in—etc."): You will not find it in the Bible. It was written by Alexander Pope, and is found in his "Essay on Criticism."

2. (First family burying place): Machpelah (a cave), in which were buried Sarah, and in the passing of time, Abraham, Isaac, Rebekah, and others of the family.

3. (Jachin and Boaz): Jachin means, "he shall establish," and Boaz means, "in it is strength." These two names, being symbolic in their meaning were given to the two huge bronze pillars which were set up in the porch of Solomon's temple (I Kings 7:21), implying that they were not used as supports of the temple building.

4. (Joseph's Pit): Joseph, favorite of his father, was thrown into one of the many pits, (or water wells), the one into which Joseph was cast having dried up, was named "Jubb Yusuf," by the Arabs of the desert, which, when translated from their language, meant "Joseph's Pit."

Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., who recently went from the pastorate of Lowry Memorial church, Blue Mountain, to Central Avenue church, Memphis, is carrying on just as he did in Mississippi. There have been 92 additions during his pastorate of six months. Total contributions have amounted to \$13,729.48. Recently they paid the regular payment of \$605 on the church debt and then paid an additional \$1,600.

God uses our troubles as a means of making us more useful servants in His kingdom. So if your burden is heavy, cast it upon the Lord and let Him sustain you.

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OUR WAR EXPERIENCES IN HONG KONG

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quate, so they shot over the streets, machine-gunning innocent and fleeing people.

Ambulances soon rushed through the streets hauling their loads of mangled flesh. A.R.P. workers dug in the ruins of fallen brick and stone to find pieces of broken bodies. Mothers looked for their children and children for their mothers; in many cases neither could be found.

On the third day of the war we were driven from our home by the rapidly advancing Japanese troops. They had already broken through the lines and were nearing our section. Mrs. Ward and I crossed the harbor on a military truck amid Canadian and Hong Kong troops, loads of ammunitions and military supplies. While crossing we were caught in an air-raid and spent 30 minutes in the middle of the harbor while bombs dropped near us. Reaching the Hong Kong side (Victoria Island), we were left stranded in the streets with our few hand-bags and our several blankets.

Leaving Mrs. Ward on the streets with our only material possessions, I visited five hotels, trying to find a room. We were even refused sleeping space on the floor in the lobby of each hotel. One hotel where I tried twice to get space, told me I could sleep on the floor in the dining room. But upon learning my wife was with me, we were again refused. The next morning we saw that the entire front of the building had been blown out by a heavy shelling. We slept that night on the floor in the Peruvian Consul's office. At 2 a. m. we were shelled out of the office and fled through blacked-out streets to an air-raid tunnel, where we remained for three hours.

For seventeen days we were under fire, being bombed severely by the Japanese planes. We crouched in corners of buildings while door-facings fell loose from the walls; we sat on floors in servants rooms while bombs and shells hit within a few feet of us, piling dirt against our building. We hid under shelves in kitchen-cabinets while bombs struck so near that the flying dirt and smoke covered our windows and darkened our rooms. Planes dive-bombed over our heads. A hideous moan of motors told us when they were shooting toward the earth and us. An indescribable groan and agonizing cry revealed when they were coming out of their dive; then the screeching of bombs and the heavy explosions sent us pushing our backs into the walls. With dropped heads, closed eyes and open mouths, to prevent concussion on our ear drums, and covered with blankets, to keep off flying glass, we sat waiting for each explosion, feeling somewhat surprised we were still there after each. Some concussions from explosions almost took our breath.

The first eight days of the siege, Hong Kong was raided 45 times from the air and shelled almost continually. Water supplies were destroyed. Utility plants and business sections were leveled. Food shops were closed and multitudes fought for rice. Desperate and starving Chinese robbed, stole from and murdered their own people. Havoc reigned. Heavy shells cracked the atmosphere on the cold

"FORGOT MY TOOLS"

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the Bible. It is a source of scholarship and culture. It is the source of eternal life. It is the greatest weapon of defense in the battle against sin. It cuts like a two-edged sword. The Sword of the Spirit—the BIBLE.

Fortunate is the boy or girl who early in life is led to value properly the Bible as the Word of God. Blessed the man who knows how to use the Bible. Happy the teacher who knows the fine art of teaching others the truths of the Word. Great the church whose Sunday school superintendent makes the school a teaching force of the church. A part of the church at work for the church and the Lord. Blessed is the pastor whose Sunday school officers and teachers back him by teaching the Bible. Bible brought is not just a form. It is a force. A force of righteousness.

Going to a Bible school without a Bible would be like going hunting without a gun. Going to walk without legs. Going to a Bible class where the Bible is not taught would be like going to a dinner without food. Going to hear a teacher who has not used his Bible and has therefore not inspired his pupils to use theirs is like going to eat without an appetite. Teacher and pupil will come away empty.

A so-called Bible class taught by one who seldom uses the Bible or even refers to it, and therefore provokes no discussion, could hardly be called a Bible class anyway. The whole affair is simply tragic.

If reading makes for a full man, then reading the Bible would make for the fulness of the knowledge of the goodness and the grace of God.

Bible study leads the sinner to the Lamb of God for cleansing from sin.

Bible study leads the Christian to the fountain of life for fulness in wisdom for service.

Bible study is the greatest factor in building Christian character.

The Sunday school's main business is to teach the Bible. It should lead those who attend its sessions to study the Bible. Boys and girls should be taught to bring their Bibles and use them as early in life as possible.

"Remember now thy Creator in the

December days, and the exploding balls of fire and burning houses lighted the blacked-out city at night. Flying shrapnel ripped glass from our windows and tore corners from our building. The rattle of machine-guns was heard between explosions and occasional rifle fire cracked on the nearby front. Heavy artillery from the Japanese in front of us threw heavy shells at us, some striking near, and the Hong Kong cannons roared out behind and over us, on the peak. We were between two lines of fire.

On Christmas day, about noon, Hong Kong capitulated. We left our place of refuge to join other foreigners for surrender. Some several hours after peace negotiations had begun, and after firing had ceased, a number of Japanese bombers shot across the peak and bombed the city. Being almost under the planes when the bombs were released, I saw them go screeching to the ground to find their mark in the midst of people who had again trusted the Japanese—but who were again made their dying victims in deceit.—Alabama Baptist.

CHINESE GIRL THANKS BAPTISTS FOR HELP

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war has been going on for five years already.

It is true that everything looks dark, property is being destroyed and people are dying, but we are not discouraged, for God is still there and Christianity is still living even though it has been hindered. Many of the Christians have been scattered to different parts of the country, and some mission work has been started in new fields. It is true that Christianity in China has been spreading very rapidly in different parts during these years. China is really marching toward the Cross now!

For this we are so grateful to the American friends for we can not carry on this great work ourselves in such horrible times. We are so thankful for your generous gifts and contributions for helping both physically and spiritually. Because of the war Chinese currency is so low in comparison with your money, one penny will be fifteen cents and a nickel in China will furnish one person's food for one day. If we think deeply we may see that one penny would save one person's life for one day, and maybe this day would be his last chance to hear the gospel. Even one penny may save not only one's body but also his soul. How great it is! What great work you will do with your gifts. Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Therefore your work, prayers, and contributions to those sufferers will not be in vain before the Lord.

May God's richest blessings rest upon you and your work.

Sincerely,

DOROTHY FUNG-PING LEUNG.

—BR—

TOMMY "SAID GRACE"

By Ethel G. Hubler

The pastor told me.

They were members of his church. They were invited to the home of a relative for dinner. Father, mother and Tommy, nine years of age. The grandfather was present.

A friend had told him to "take a bottle of beer" to pep him up a bit. He brought it to the table with him.

When the family was seated, Tommy, as usual, was asked to "say the blessing."

Tommy had never "said grace" over a beer bottle before. He was on the spot. It troubled him. All bowed their heads; Tommy, too.

Finally Tommy raised his head, looked over at his mother, and said, "Mom, I can't ask God to bless us with that beer bottle sittin' there!"

The grandfather moved with the alacrity of a nine-year-old, as he grabbed the bottle, and started for the back door. The beer and the bottle were no more.

As he resumed his seat at the dinner table we predict that the meal was eaten in an old-fashioned Methodist camp-meetin' atmosphere.

"Out of the mouths of babes. . ."

days of thy youth." The Bible is the greatest reminder of God and it is indeed His Holy Word! Forgot your tools" . . . "engaged"? Never! . . . Not by the Lord.—The Sunday School Builder for June, 1942.

SOLDIERS OF THE CROSS

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able and relief activities, and he gets less and less recognition for purely evangelistic work. The reason is that Chinese congregations have come of age and are, in many places, perfectly capable of standing on their own feet. "The tendency here, as elsewhere, is to do things the Chinese way, and to have Chinese do the jobs of foreigners whenever possible," I was told by Earl H. Cressy from Lacon, Illinois, who has been a missionary in this country for the last thirty-three years. "Fundamentally, that's a good thing. Nothing is on a solid basis until it is on a Chinese basis. If the foreign missionary has to step out of the picture and become a little less conspicuous, he doesn't mind; he can still help the Chinese make a go of it."

But the plight of the missionary has become acute in another way. I have, in my recent travels through Free China, met many of them in small towns and out-stations, and have spent many a night in a missionary house. The conditions to which these good people are reduced are shocking. It is the same story wherever salaries have been left far behind by the rapid pace of Chinese currency inflation. If an unmarried missionary today received \$2,000—Chinese—a month, which has the purchasing power of U. S. \$40, he is lucky.

Consequently, missionaries are now exposed to downright poverty. They have sold whatever they could spare. First went the bicycle, the typewriter, the radio. Next went the silver, the second suit of clothes. Today, many missionaries are half starved. They cannot afford to buy enough meat, enough fruit, enough milk, and the lack of vitamins is beginning to tell; some of those I've met, especially women, had the spue. Their clothes are worn and ragged. They are cut off from the world, unable to receive any books or magazines from home. They are weak and still shake with the memories of horrid experiences they had when the Japs came, when the old schoolhouse burned down, when they were driven out of the hospital.

—BR—

Philadelphia: Since October 1, 1942 the gifts of our church stand at \$21,884.85. Of this amount \$8,548.87 has gone to mission causes and \$4,599.25 to the building fund, a total of \$13,148.12 to these two items. One hundred eleven have united with the church during this time.

The War Department will issue a Certificate of Award to all religious groups whose clergymen are serving as chaplains in the United States Army. The presentation will be made with an appropriate ceremony at the chapel, South Post, Fort Meyer, Virginia. Each local congregation whose minister has entered the chaplaincy will receive an award.

Lt. Ray A. Truitt, chaplain, formerly of Neshoba, has recently been stationed at Camp Forrest, Tennessee, after graduating from the chaplain school, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

—BR—

The grave diggers of Memphis, Tenn., have organized, taking out cards with the CIO Cannery and Packers' Union.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.